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The Rice Market

Crop Here Good Imports Are Small Reports Abroad

ONE of the factors that has played a great part in preventing further orders for imported rice being placed is the excellent nature of the rice crop in China. On the whole, the crop this year is much better than last year, conservative estimates placing it at some 30 percent better. There is very little imported rice in stock at present in Shanghai, this amounting to not more than one to two thousand tons and comprising mostly Saigon rice. Up till the present the need for drawing upon Burma, Indo-China and Siam has not been felt, but if values in these producing countries go lower the Chinese might be tempted to buy foreign rice. Even at present, imported rice is cheaper than the indigenous grade, but the Chinese consumer is only tempted to take to foreign grades when he finds the price ruling in China is prohibitive for his purse. Saigon rice is quoted at Tls. 5 per picul c.i.f. Shanghai, but this rate is still unworkable, and not until the value declines to something like Tls. 4.20 or Tls. 4.40 per picul could business be expected in this line. Siam No. 1 could be had at Tls. 5.60 per picul c.i.f. Shanghai, and this, as well, is too high for the Shanghai market.

It is likely that at about the end of the season a demand may arise for foreign rice, and the prospects of lower prices seem bright, especially as the producing centers report very good crops. The new season's crops of Burma, Indo-China and Siam rice will begin to come on the market next month, and if the reports so far issued are to be relied upon, there is every chance of values being put down to a low level. Although the Saigon, Bangkok and Rangoon rice markets at the present moment are steady, due to the scarcity of supplies for near delivery, the general belief is that quotations will ease, and that buyers in China will be afforded an opportunity for placing orders in those markets.

ARRIVALS HERE GOOD

Arrivals of Chinese rice on the Shanghai mart are copious. More than half of the yield has already been marketed. Around Shanghai the crop has been excellent. Kiangsu Province has also had a very good yield, while crop conditions in the Yangtsze Valley leave little to be desired. Prices are steady, Shanghai cleaned rice being $11.50 per 1½ piculs. Hankow district also reports a good crop, and in some parts of Hunan the yield is expected to be a fifth above normal production. Most of the rice produced is consumed near the producing areas. The provinces of Hunan, Kiangsi and Anhui only have an exportable surplus which is distributed through Wuhu, Kiukiang and Changsha. This amounts annually to between five to ten million piculs.

It will interest many merchants to know that the Japanese Government has abandoned its scheme for the purchase of over 400,000 koku of rice. The chief reason for the abandonment of the plan is the fact that conditions at the moment do not point to any likelihood of a shortage. The aggregate quantity of rice held in Japan is estimated at about six million koku. Market conditions have now been restored in Japan, and facilities for transportation are increasing, as may be seen by the amount of rice attracted to Tokio uptodate, which is estimated at 400,000 koku.

CALIFORNIA RICE

An interesting development is the large and continual shipments of California rice to Japan. Practically the entire surplus left from last year's crop in California has been shipped to Japan. Even the new season's California crop is

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Weather

Fine and cold weather. The maximum temperature yesterday was 53.5 and the minimum 30.6, the figures for the corresponding day last year being 53.1 and 32.4.

The Mail Box

MAILS for U. S. and Europe, E. of Australia, Dec. 24.
FROM U. S. and Europe, Str. Pres. Grant, Dec. 21.
FOR Europe via Suez, Str. Chambord, Dec. 21.
FROM Europe via Suez, Str. Andre Lebon, Dec. 23.

OBREGON IN STRUGGLE TO HALT DRIVE ON CAPITAL

Turns All Forces In Effort To Guard Mexico City

REBELS ADVANCE

Only 46 Miles From Goal Now, Is Claim

(Reuter's American Service)

New York, Dec. 17.—Advices from the Government side regarding the Mexican conflict are almost completely lacking. President Obregon, having organised his forces in the west, appears temporarily to have abandoned the Guadaljara campaign and is turning his attention to the rebel thrust from Vera Cruz. The rebels claim to hold Puebla City and Cuautla. The latter is only 46 miles south-east of the capital.

(Reuter's American Service)

Vera Cruz, Dec. 18.—A fierce battle took place yesterday between Federal Troops and the rebels for the possession of Apizaco, Tlaxcala. No details have up to the present been received. Rebel reinforcements are being sent from here. Fighting also took place at San Marcos where President Obregon's forces are attacking the rebels.

(BY UNITED PRESS)

Mexico City, Dec. 17—General Gomez, leader of the Federalist forces, issued a statement today declaring that the entire situation is subject to great change and that the Federal troops will soon strike a decisive blow against the rebels.

NEW OBSTACLE TO PARLEY ON GERMAN WOES

Stresemann Speech Will Have Adverse Effect, Is Fear In Berlin

(Reuter's Service)

Berlin, Dec. 17.—Some depression has been caused in political circles by the passage in Dr. Stresemann's speech yesterday where he declared that excitement in Germany was so great that the German Government was unable to assume responsibility for the lives and safety of those undertaking military control in Germany. It is feared that this statement is not calculated to further the progress of negotiations with France.

(Reuter's Service)

Berlin, Dec. 18.—It is semi-officially stated that the French reply to Herr von Hoesch's statement is of such a nature as to justify the German Government in making detailed proposals with regard to restoration of the German administration of the occupied

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Chinese Bodies Protest Ruling In Mixed Court; Demand Right Of Appeal

£50,000 Judgment In Suit Against Cotton Firm And Demand For £50,000 Bond Stirs Commissioner To Protest To Consular Body And Peking

Following communications from the Chinese Chamber of Commerce and the Cotton Mill Owners' Association, Commissioner for Foreign Affairs Hsu Yuan has made a strong protest to the Consular Body and to Peking against recent alleged arbitrary decisions in the International Mixed Court and has again set forth the necessity for a court of appeals, according to information received by THE CHINA PRESS yesterday.

The communications of the chamber and the association deal specifically with a recent decision by British Assessor Martin and Magistrate Li in which judgment was given the General Electric Company of China, Ltd., a British firm, for £50,000 against the Pao Cheng Third Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company of Tientsin, and a later decision in which the managing director of the company, Liu Pah Sung, was ordered held in jail until he posted a judgment bond of £50,000, the largest bond ever demanded in the Mixed Court in any action.

Mr. J. H. Teesdale represented the British firm and Mr. Walter Chalaire of Shoop and Chalaire, represented the defendant Chinese company.

CHAMBER'S LETTER

The Chinese Chamber of Commerce's letter to Commissioner Hsu was as follows:

"On November 11, we received from the Chinese Cotton Mill Owners' Association a letter which reads:

"We have received a letter from the Pao Cheng Third Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd., Tientsin, a member of this association, which informs us that 'we have a lawsuit with the General Electric Company (of China) Ltd., a British firm, in which we are the first defendant, and our managing director, Mr. Liu Pah Sung, is the second defendant. The claim of the plaintiffs is that by a series of contracts the defendants agreed to purchase two sets of turbo-generators from the plaintiffs. Of these two plants one was already delivered and the other is still undelivered. The plant already delivered is not up to specifications guaranteed by the plaintiffs and so the defendants refused to pay and asked that the contract

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SUSPENSION OF IMMIGRATION IS SOUGHT IN U. S.

Drastic Move Is Suggested In Bill Introduced In Congress

(BY UNITED PRESS)

Washington, Dec. 17.—A bill was introduced in Congress today providing for the complete suspension of immigration to the United States until 1929 when immigration may be resumed on a basis of two percent of the foreign nationals then resident in the United States.

Still another bill relating to immigration which was introduced today provides for the removal of the present Ellis Island immigration station at New York to Governor's Island and for the erection of new buildings at a cost of $5,000,000.

The bill which provides for a total suspension of immigration for five years is looked upon as the first step in what will probably be a determined fight at the session of Congress over the whole immigration issue. Congressional leaders who were responsible for the present immigration laws have already announced themselves as favoring reductions in the quotas assigned to the various countries but the drastic request for a complete suspension of immigration has startled all.

Big business and industry in general is sure to argue for an increase in the present quotas, if anything, basing their arguments on the complete absence of unemployment in America and the difficulty which employers find in locating a sufficient supply of labor for their needs.

RUSS ACCEDE TO TERMS SET BY COOLIDGE

(Reuter's American Service)

New York, Dec. 17.—The Russian Telegraph Agency has published a Note from M. Chicherin to President Coolidge answering the President's reference to Russia in his recent message to Congress. The Note declares that the Soviet is ready to do-all in its power, as far as the dignity and interest of the country will permit, to bring about friendship with the United States and offers to discuss all the problems mentioned in the President's message with a view to a satisfactory settlement.

VENIZELOS IS CHOSEN AGAIN; CRISIS LOOMS

Departure Of Greek King Is Now Seen As Foregone Conclusion

(Reuter's Service)

London, Dec. 17.—The elections in Greece, held yesterday, were very orderly. An attempt of the Opposition leaders to induce their followers to boycott the elections was only partly successful. M. Venizelos was elected, many Royalists voting for him as they consider that he is the only politician able to extricate Greece from the impasse and in view of his moderation on dynastic questions.

Reuter's correspondent at Athens now reports that a dynastic crisis is imminent. The King's departure is believed to be a foregone conclusion.

(Reuter's Service)

Athens, Dec. 17.—The election has been a contest between the Liberals and Republicans. According to the results up to the present, the deputies elected to the Constituent Assembly comprise almost solely moderate Venizelists and Republican Venizelists, the former predominating. A proportion of the Republicans voted against M. Venizelos. The Republicans are clamouring for the deposition of the dynasty. Colonel Plastiras, the revolutionary leader, is determined to prevent untoward events.

(Reuter's Service)

Athens, Dec. 18.—The Government has informed the King that it is advisable that he should leave Greece until the National Assembly decides which regime is best befitting the country. The King will reply today.

GOLD FRANC DISPUTE IS UP AGAIN IN PARLIAMENT

Senators Seek Facts On Status Of Affair

DR. KOO EXPLAINS

Payment Promised By Huang Fu, He Declares

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Peking, Dec. 17.—In the Senate this afternoon the Chairman explained that Mr. Wang Keh-king had not withdrawn his resignation, while Mr. Kao Ling-wei was still ill, but Dr. Wellington Koo would address the Senate.

Dr. Koo emphasised that he spoke as Foreign Minister and not as a representative of the whole Government. He said that on February 10 Mr. Huang Fu informed the French Legation that China would pay in gold francs. The French Minister on February 13 requested the Government to act in accordance with Mr. Huang Fu's promise, while on February 24 the French Minister, interviewing Marshal Tsao Kun, expressed satisfaction at the Government's promise. Since then M. de Fleuriau had repeatedly requested a settlement on that basis while the signatory Powers had again and again urged China to pay in gold. On November 23 the Waichiaopu, replying to the Ministers of the signatory Powers, informed them that it was impossible to pay the French, Italian, Belgian and Spanish indemnities in gold. Last year the Belgian Minister agreed to the postponement of the Belgian share for two years, but had since notified China that it must be paid in gold. Dr. Koo had now telegraphed to experts abroad, asking them for legal opinions. When these were received, they would help China in reaching a final decision.

Some Senators showed dissatisfaction, saying that they wanted a full official statement from the Government and Messrs Kao-Ling-wei, Wang Keh-ring and Wellington Koo must give such a statement on Wednesday. The Senate adjourned with that understanding.

Peking, Dec. 18.—The Lower House met this afternoon at three o'clock under the presidency of Mr. Wu Ching-lien. Nearly 300 members were present. Mr. Wu's supporters proposed a departure from the agenda which called for a vote on the nomination of Mr. Sun Pao-chi in order to discuss the gold franc issue, but this course was opposed by the members of the anti-Wu party. Hot words led to blows and a free fight between the two factions ensued on the floor of the House in which Mr. Wu Ching-lien was injured in the face. He gave orders for the police to be called in and had the ring-leader, Mr. Huang Yi, arrested after which order was restored.

MacADOO HURLS HIS TOPPER IN

(Reuter American Service)

Los Angeles, Dec. 18.—Mr. William G. McAdoo, ex-Secretary of the Treasury, has definitely announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for the Presidency.

Wilson Is Honored On Armistice Day

The above photograph shows ex-President Woodrow Wilson as he appeared when leaving his home in Washington for a short automobile ride, after the wild Armistice Day celebration in front of his home. This is the first photograph to be made of Mr. Wilson since he appeared at Mr. Harding's funeral.

Kitchen God Is Supreme Among Chinese Just Now

By Irene Corbally Kuhn

This is the time of the year when the Kitchen God is given the best in the house in every Chinese household. Soon, before the old [illegible] over, the family will burn the paper deity and in the curling smoke that rises the God will ascend to Heaven where it will report to the "Pearly Emperor" the affairs of the home which has entertained it. Naturally enough, although there is no definite word for it, the Supreme Ruler of the Deities will be influenced in his disposition of favors for the ensuing year by the measure of hospitality which has been shown his humble satellite.

This, and so old [illegible] more of sparkling anecdote enlivened the interesting lecture which Mr. L. Newton Hayes delivered before a large audience at the American Woman's Club yesterday afternoon. The lecture was under the auspices of the Literary Department of the club which is devoting its time this year to a study of Chinese history.

The average foreigner in China, when he first becomes aware of the prevalence of idol worship throughout the nation, is impressed with the enormous number of deities which are worshipped by the Chinese. He immediately catalogues the number in that convenient pigeonhole marked infinite and lets it go at that, deciding that the subject is too comprehensive and life too short to devote much time to it.

NOT SO MANY, MANY

In the 15 years which Mr. Hayes has devoted to the study of Chinese gods and idols he has learned that the number is not so appalling or uncountable and that the principal gods of China may be classified and recognised. At his lecture yesterday he drew upon representative specimens from his own private collection to illustrate his talk and instruct his audience in the distinguishing characteristics and the chief points of interest of each idol.

There are six important factors, he explained, in learning to identify a god. These are the headdress, face, clothing, hands, posture and attendants.

Among the gods which are never seen wearing a headdress may be mentioned the familiar little fat gentleman, in summer clothing and very little of that, Mei Lei himself. The God of Happiness, on the other hand, is never seen anywhere without his headdress with the two extending wings.

The Fire God, usually represented as a person with red hair and whiskers and holding a red crow in his hand, may be recognised by his ruddy complexion. This gentleman is rarely seen without his exceptionally rosy cheeks. The red crow he carries in his hand is the bird which commits arson on its wanderings from the godly palm and not until it comes back to roost in its nest in that palm does the fire cease.

Not a few of the gods, especially those of the Buddhists, have spots or discs on

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FOUR ARE DEAD, OTHERS INJURED, IN BLAZE HERE

Canton Road Outbreak Traps People On Upper Floor

Four people were burned to death and several others were injured, one badly enough to be sent to hospital, in a fire which broke out just after 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon in the San Zung Li alleyway off Canton Road.

The outbreak occurred when an apprentice in No. 4, San Zung Li, a Laundry, upset a lamp in the midst of a lot of rubbish on the ground floor. The fire quickly enveloped the staircase and swept upward so rapidly that those upstairs had little chance of escape. Central Division of the Fire Department arrived in a short time after the alarm and effected a quick stop, confining the blaze, which threatened to be a conflagration, to the one shop with nominal damage to the surrounding buildings, though those on both sides were more or less affected by fire and water.

The first casualty was discovered by a fireman who had penetrated to the rear of the building while the fire raged, carrying a hose nozzle. He broughtout the body of a small girl, trapped on the upper floor.

Following this an old lady who had been in the ground floor at the time of the outbreak reported that three other persons from the establishment were missing. No trace could be found of them after a long search, but eventually after further digging over of the debris three bodies were brought out—those of two women and a baby. They were found at the back on the upper floor, evidently having

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SEEK PARLEY IN EFFORT TO AVERT FIGHT ON CHEKIANG

Gentry Propose Peace Conference At Shanghai

BORDER CROSSED

Troop Movements At Chuchowfu Are Reported

A conference between General Lu Yung-hsiang, Director of Military Rehabilitation of Chekiang and Marshal Chi Hsieh-yuan, Inspector-General of Kiangsu, Anhui and Kiangsi, to settle all outstanding questions between Chekiang and Kiangsu to be held in Shanghai has been suggested by leading members of the gentry of two provinces in view of the warlike gestures being made by General Chi along the Shanghai-Nanking Railway and by General Sun Chuan-fang, Tuh of Fukien, in the vicinity of Chuchowfu, Chekiang.

General Lu has consented to come to Shanghai to meet Marshal Chi at any time that the latter might appoint, according to Shanghai merchants who yesterday attended the funeral of late Madame Lu Hsia Sz, wife of the director, and General Chi is also said to be favorably inclined to the proposal. Several other military leaders in Nanking, however, are reported to be opposed to the parley.

Meanwhile, the mediator-assisting of members of the gentry, are either travelling themselves or keeping the wires between here and Hangchow and Nanking hot with messages urging a compromise and conciliation. They maintain that in view of the already much-strained situation between the two provinces only a slight friction would ignite the spark which might cause a general conflagration not only in this neighborhood, but in all China.

CONFERENCE HELD

A military conference was held in Hangchow on Monday attended by all generals, brigade and regiment commanders and their chiefs of staff, at which General Lu is said to have expressed his calmness over the situation, warning the officers not to strike until all possible peaceful means are exhausted.

The Chekiang National Salvation Association yesterday addressed a message to Marshal Chi of Nanking, assailing him for intriguing with Sun Chuan-fang of Fukien and Ma Lien-chia of Anhui to violate the peace and order of Chekiang. The text of the message follows:

"Your attempt to appoint a successor to the late Chief of the Constabulary has caused a great deal of trouble and unending misunderstanding last month. Now you seek to air your grievance against us Chekiangmen by sending Sun Chuan-fang of Fukien to violate our peace in East Chekiang and by sending Ma Lien-chia of Anhui to invade Western Chekiang.

"Within the province of Kiangsu, you have made numerous transfers of troops, causing all kinds of excitement and commotion among the general populace. There is no enmity between Chekiang and Kiangsu. If you desire to serve the personal interest of Tsao Kun, we believe you can resort to other measures. Why should you sacrifice the cream of the nation by devastating the best part of the Yangtsze Valley and turning Kiangsu and Chekiang into Szechuen, Hunan and Kwangtung?

"Moreover, it was but a month ago that the Chekiang-Kiangsu peace pact was signed by you yourself and General Lu. The ink had hardly been dried when you willfully attempt to violate its terms. For your own salvation, you should at once instruct Sun and Ma to withdraw their forces and settle your differences through peaceful means."

Last Call Today For Xmas Party

This is the last call for tickets for the Big Show tomorrow! So far, 200 applications for tickets have been received, and it looks as if the China Press would have to pay Santa Claus overtime on Thursday at the big party at the Apollo, theater, beginning at 4:30.

Boys and girls who have been competitors in the China Press Christmas Story Contest and who wish to receive their prize money in person from Santa Claus on the Apollo's stage, are requested to send in their names and addresses and the number of tickets they desire for themselves and parents to the Christmas Editor of the China Press. Do it now! Today is the last day on which applications may be received and tickets forwarded in time. The Christmas Editor will be on the job to receive and take care of applications up to 5 o'clock this evening.

Bleeding Tsingtau Dry Under The Last Regime

(China Press Special Correspondence)

Tsingtau, Dec. 13.—The first anniversary of the retrocession of Tsingtau and surrounding former leased territory celebrated with proper ceremony in the Shantung port on the 10th, brings to mind the high hopes that were held a year ago for the development in Shantung of a model city, run by Chinese of the modern school on modern lines, and free from the ever-present "squeeze."

Tsingtau is the city which received so much publicity at the Washington Conference; it is the city for which all of China was combed to secure experts for the various Municipal offices; it is the city where lay China's supreme opportunity to prove to the world that she can govern her territory providentially without foreign assistance.

And now, even Tsingtau is approaching that dread time when unless something unforeseen happens, she will be forced after a bitter trial to admit defeat.

CITES BENEFITS

"Five thousand armed bandits roamed the streets of Tsingtau only a year ago today," said Civil Governor Hsiung Ping-chi at the celebration on the 10th in honor of the first anniversary of the retrocession. "There was imminent danger of the kidnapping of many of Tsingtau's foremost citizens and the sacking and destruction of the city."

Governor Hsiung then went on to tell the thousands gathered round the steps of the Administration Building how in the space of one brief year a marvellous change had been wrought, how people now live in Tsingtau and carry on their various pursuits without molestation who twelve months ago feared for the safety

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COMMUNITY TREE NEEDS GIFTS FOR MANY NEEDY HERE

Tableaux Event At Cricket Club Is International In Scope

The committee of arrangements for the Community Christmas Tree is happy to announce that Mr. R. A. Curry has consented to sing the "Ave Maria" during the tableaux vivant while the scene of the Annunciation is being shown. The Municipal Band will furnish the instrumental music and the Community Church choir will lead the singing. A very beautiful and impressive Christmas pageant should be the outcome of the preparations being made and it is hoped that all foreigners, old and young will be at the Cricket Club Grounds on Friday afternoon at six o'clock.

For those who are desirous of bringing gifts to the tree and do not know what form their Christmas cheer should take it may be said that clothing, food, toys, and money can always be used, the articles being divided among the various charities by the King's Daughters' Society unless especially marked by the donors for some special object, in which case they will be assigned as designated. Among the charities to which gifts from the tree will be sent are St. Monica's Society which is giving a school treat on December 29 to 35 poor children; The Institution of the Holy Family and the King's Daughters' Society could also use toys to good advantage and the latter organisation is giving a tea and tree on the 27th for the children in the Convalescent Home.

While the Foreign Women's Home has already made its appeal it may be mentioned again in this connection. The Refugee Relief Committee is in urgent need of gifts of fruit such as oranges, apples, dates and cakes which will keep, like fruit cake since they hope to add a little fruit and cake to the bowls of soup over 600 served out daily at the Soup Kitchen off Scott Road. This celebration will not be held until January 7, the date of the Russian Christmas celebration. There are 62 children among those registered at the kitchen and 20 babies. The children are practically destitute of shoes and if kind friends would donate money towards a shoe fund it would meet a great need. The Sisters of Charity at 5 Avenue Dubail are doing a magnificent work in housing many poor families. Money would be a great assistance for their work as they need to buy coal.

Any other objects which donors desire to aid may be indicated and the contributions will be so applied. Gifts may be brought to the Tree all day on Friday and left at the King's Daughters' Society, 5A North Soochow Road up to 12 o'clock on Friday. Cheques should be made payable to the Civic Department, American Woman's Club, Community Christmas Tree, and sent to 66 Szechuen Road. It has already been announced that the Shriners will give their Christmas contributions to the poor of Shanghai through the agency of the Community Tree and now comes the news that the Community Church will do likewise, as will doubtless other organisations. The occasion is international and it is sincerely hoped that all foreigners will be present.

Future Empress Of Japan And Her Sisters

Princess Kuni, Princess Nagako Kuni's younger sister

Left to right in the above photograph are the Princess Kuni, Princess Nagako Kuni and their younger sister. Princess Nagako Kuni is engaged to marry the Prince Regent of Japan, but the wedding, which was to have taken place in November, has been postponed until next year because of the earthquake. This is the first photograph to be made of the future Empress since the disaster.

Kitchen God Is Supreme Among Chinese Just Now

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the forehead. Some, like the Hindu gods, have three eyes.

A FINE TRADE.

Although the multitude of idols in China would lead one to believe that every small boy and girl was apprenticed to an idol maker and was compelled to practise his art, almost the reverse is true. Not every one can make an idol. The trade is specially guarded and protected and is in the hands of a special guild.

There is, however, no limit to the media which the workmen may employ to fashion the gods. Jade, wood, stone, brass, clay are only a few of the materials used. When clay is used, however, the stipulation is that the dirt must not be taken from the surface of the ground, but must be drawn from the dark recesses underneath where the sun never shines. This proves that as idol makers the Chinese are poor geologists.

When the image is made the workman cuts a small trap door in the back. Into this, at the proper time, are placed the "vital organs," without which the god may not be worshipped. Thus, an idol is never really completed and ready for worship, until after it has been set up in the temple or home where it will be in future. Then, on a lucky day, before an interested assemblage, the idol maker induces the spirit of the god into the body he is to operate. This is a simple enough procedure. The "vital organs" made of silver and conveniently strung together on a silver chain, are placed in the god's body through the trap door. Before the door is sealed there is also imprisoned a small insect, bird or reptile. The door is then quickly closed and sealed so that the life cannot escape.

THE FINAL TOUCH

The second ceremony is called "letting in the light" and consists of touching with a brush dipped in black or red ink, the pupils of the eyes which have been left blank. Upon the completion of this ceremony the god is ready to be worshipped and is in a position to obtain favors for successful suppliants.

Small images often have placed in them vital organs of jade and precious stones so that when plunderers are abroad in a city their first thought is to break open the idols and get at their interiors.

After the fall of Peking, when soldiers were sacking the city, a friend of the lecturer saw a group of soldiers destroying three ten-foot clay images. When the images were in ruins upon the ground the soldiers began pawing among the wreckage for the massive silver vival organs which they expected to find. Their disgust was amusing when they discovered that the idol-maker had cheated and had put in the images only half-inch silver lungs, liver, kidneys, heart, etc.

"No wonder they could not protect themselves from us," said one soldier. "How could they have courage with so small a liver." The Chinese, it may be noted in passing, believe that the liver is the seat of courage.

The Chinese take their idols very seriously. Gods have been haled into court for complicity in crime. A story is related of a clay image that was suspected of aiding and abetting a dishonest priest in his evildoing. The idol was ordered by the court to kneel down. Upon his refusal or inability to obey the order, the court ordered him punished with 500 strokes from the bamboo beater. When the punitive business was over all that remained of the idol was a heap of powdered clay on the floor.

On another occasion, the Dragon King who is responsible for the rainfall, was impervious to prayers, requests, demands and threats for rain. Finally, the drought became so bad that the viceroy ordered the adamant idol carried out into the field and set down in the broiling sun. There he was left all day to meditate. When nightfall came he was carried back to the temple. It is recorded that he evidently saw the injustice of his former attitude of stubborness, for there were heavy showers that evening.

Landlord Gets Damages From Moving Tenant

Judgment for $1,172.02 damages were given Mr. P. dos Remedios from Messrs. S. A. Ismail and Murray, trading as the Crystal Ice and Cold Storage Company, by Sir Skinner Turner in the British Supreme Court yesterday. Mr. Remedios, through his counsel, Mr. P. W. Goldring, claimed that amount as damages suffered by reason of the failure of the defendants to carry out an agreement for the lease of premises at 23 North Honan Road for one year.

Mr. Remedios, according to his testimony, rented the premises to the defendant at Tls. 100 per month for a term of one year. No lease had been signed as Mr. Ismail said he was waiting for power of attorney from Mr. Murray, who was in Hongkong. After the defendants had occupied the premises for some time and made certain changes and alterations they gave the premises up. Sir Skinner held that a valid verbal contract had been made and gave judgment for the plaintiff.

ANGLO-PERSIAN HEAD TELLS OF DEAL IN SHARES

Proposal Of Government To Sell Holdings Is Alluded To

(Reuter's Service)

London, Dec. 17.—Sir Charles Greenway, presiding at a meeting of the Anglo-Persian Oil Company, alluded to the possibility of the Government disposing of their Anglo-Persian oil shares. He said that the company had no control over the sale of shares by a shareholder and therefore were in no way parties to such a proposal. They had not been consulted and there was no need for them to be consulted on the matter and consequently he was not in a position to give any definite information. He understood that no decision had yet been reached, but should a sale be effected, the interests of other shareholders would be fully protected.

Referring to criticisms of the company's "colossal" expenditure, Sir Charles Greenway declared that the value of the new territory, hitherto proved, far exceeded the cost of the whole of their testing operations. Dealing with their future prospects, he said that no improvement could be expected in the current year, but a substantial improvement might be expected in the following year if the prices of their products had not further declined. It appeared certain that they were not far from the point at which demand would again overtake supply. The unexpected increase in production in the United States resulting from abnormally high prices was nearly exhausted, while the fact that the world's consumption of oil products was increasing by leaps and bounds must accentuate a reaction towards the recovery of prices.

Fur Case To Be Argued On Jan. 7

Judge Charles S. Lobingier in the United States Court yesterday set January 7 as the date for argument over Mr. Walter Chalaire's motion for a re-hearing of the case in which the Fur and Wool Trading Company were given judgment against Anderson, Meyer and Company.

The date was set after Mr. Richard T. Evans, for the fur company, announced that after consulation with his clients he was prepared to agree to Mrs. Anna Noskoff again testifying as Mr. Chalaire requested. Mr. Chalaire, on the previous day, asked for a rehearing on the grounds that Mrs. Noskoff, at the original trial, had committed perjury at the behest of the fur company, but was now prepared to come to court and tell the truth.

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Four Are Dead Others Injured, In Blaze Here

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been unable to descend the staircase. Another woman, 58 years old, was severely burned about the face and body in trying to extinguish the fire and was sent to hospital, and two others were less badly burned.

The actual property damage was not great owing to the effective work of the brigade, the more serious damage being confined to the place of origin. It is a very congested district.

Earlier in the day—at about 2:45 p.m.—Hongkew Division turned out and found a wooden drying-stage over a Chinese butcher's shop at 940 Woosung Road well alight. Three jets were brought into play and the fire was soon extinguished, being confined to the drying-stage, which was practically destroyed. The fire was caused by sparks from the chimney of a bacon curing stove on the ground floor.

REDS ARE SPLIT BY ADOPTION OF NEW PROGRAM

Discord Follows Action Taken By Communist Party Leaders

(Reuter's Service)

Riga, Dec. 18.—It is reported from Moscow that the Communist Party's new program, which was proclaimed on December 15, involving extensive freedom of speech among the rank and file of Communists, has caused serious discord among Party leaders. M. Kameney on December 11 was forced to defend himself against attacks of M.M. Sapronov, Preobrazhensky, Smirnov and others who accused the Party's Central Committee of arrogating to themselves too much authority and of not considering the wishes of the rank and file. M. Kamenev, replying, reproached M. Radek of supporting malcontents and warned the members against converting the new reform into a mere struggle for power.

The Soviet official press states that the situation is very grave and the only salvation consists in the Party preserving complete unity while accomplishing the present reforms.

Bleeding Tsingtau Dry Under The Last Regime

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of their property and their very lives.

Upon the conclusion of Governor Hsiung's flowery address, hundreds of Chinese school children broke into an enthusiastic, organised yell, wishing long life and success to the Governor. The latter then donated a brass commemorative tablet which was, oddly enough, placed on the historic Jaesche memorial statue. This monument was erected on the Bund over twenty years ago in memory of the German admiral who first landed in Tsingtau. Following this ceremony, the Governor and his assistants entertained the consuls and Chinese and foreign officials at the Administration Building.

Speeches were made by Governor Hsiung and Japanese Consul-General Mori.

Everything seemed to go very smoothly, yet to a close observer what a sham all these festivities seemed!

REVENUE PUZZLE

No one asked the Governor why it is that with a budget of only two and a half million dollars and an estimated annual income of between three and four million Tsingtau is already heavily mortgaged to local banks and the employes of some of the departments three months in arrears in salary. No one suggested to Governor Hsiung, Tsao Kun's right hand man, that he has allowed some of the money to leak out of Tsingtau and go to replenish the empty coffers of the president who paid some three million-odd dollars for his seat.

When the Chinese first assumed responsibility for the affairs of the port a year ago they started remarkably well. The bandits were driven from the city and their leader was captured and would have been shot had not Governor Hsiung interceded and made him the leader of his so-called flying corps with general's rank. The city was well-policed, the streets were clean and in good repair and the forests and parks were kept in better shape than ever before. The officials were, for the most part, capable, conscientious and honest. After a short time Dr. C. T. Wang was called to Peking and Governor Hsiung was appointed as his successor. Relatives and friends of the latter began to take the places of the experts in the various lines, and, naturally, the city was run less efficiently. Now the head of almost every department is a relative or friend of the Governor's, and there are less than five of them who are not habitual opium smokers.

While the awful work of disintegration goes on enlightened Chinese and foreigners are seeking the solution of the problem. Is Tsingtau, the pearl of the Orient, the final opportunity of the Chinese to make good before the world, to be sacrificed on the all-top-bloody altar of militarism? Is that beauty spot of the East to be left an empty shell by the rapacious grafters while we look on unable to lift a hand in protest?

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Chinese Protest On Mixed Court Ruling

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be cancelled. As a consequence the plaintiffs filed their claim with the International Mixed Court at Shanghai demanding payment of the price due and also payment of all losses occurred by them. As a result of their petition a judgment was given plaintiffs by the Court on August 29, 1923. In the judgment it also said:

"It is clear that the second defendant, Liu Pah Sung, who is sued in his capacity as manager of the first defendant, cannot be made liable for debts of a limited liability company. The action against him is therefore dismissed."

NEGOTIATIONS

"This judgment clearly stipulates that Mr. Liu personally will henceforth no longer be in the position of a defendant in connection with this case. After observing the judgment we immediately commenced negotiations with the General Electric Company with a view to arriving at a plan whereby we could pay the judgment debt over a period of time. During the negotiations £1,000 was paid the General Electric Company. The negotiations were not successful and the British plaintiff then applied for execution of the judgment in the Mixed Court.

"As a judgment was given on October 26 which ordered us to give a post-judgment bond of £50,000 it was impossible for us to give a bond for that amount in such a short time. The counsel for the General Electric Company repeatedly requested the Court to shift the responsibility upon our managing director. Our counsel, Mr. Chalaire, forcefully pointed out that such action would not conform to law. To our utmost surprise, however, a judgment was given by the Court on December 7 which said:

"The Pao Sheng Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company to give post-judgment bond at once. In default Liu Pah Sung as its representative, to be arrested and detained until this order is complied with."

"As we understand, according to Chinese law, when a company has actually been registered as a limited liability company its managers shall not be liable for its indebtedness. (See Commentaries of the National Supreme Court of Peking, and its decisions and opinions, Vol. 1, page 10, No. 295 under Commercial Laws and Company Ordinances). All the civilised countries in the world hold this same principle.

CONTRADICTIONS

"The Court, in its judgment of August 29, said very clearly that Liu Pah Sung was dismissed as a defendant. It is quite strange that in its last judgment the already dismissed defendant has again been held to be responsible. It seems to us should not have contradicted itself in these two judgments.

"If a company is in debt the company itself should be held responsible and not its managers as individuals. If this rule should be violated all managers of limited liability companies will feel precarious of their own situations, and the majority of the industrial companies would be seriously affected in consequence. We know that your association has always upheld justice and sincerely hope that you will have means to rectify the mistakes through which we are seriously suffering."

The Chamber, after quoting the above letter, goes on as follows:

"We are convinced that the Commercial Law clearly stipulates that a manager is not liable with his personal property for any debts owed by a limited liability company. In the case of the General Electric Company against the Pao Sheng mills its managing director, Mr. Liu, sued as the second defendant, was dismissed. In its second judgment, however, the Court ordered the arrest of Mr. Liu, transferring the responsibility regardless of the laws. Once such action is put into force the managers or directors will be personally responsible for the debts of any limited liability company. We therefore request that you will request the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs to protest in order to protect the national laws and uphold our commercial rights.

"We find that the third article of the company ordinances stipulates" a company is a legal unit "and the 126th article stipulates" shareholders shall cease to be responsible when they have paid up the number of shares subscribed or acknowledged." Both articles show that as long as a company is a legal unit it shall be responsible for the debts with its own assets while shareholders shall have no responsibility whatever except to pay up the number of shares subscribed. These facts are clear and plain.

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"The Company Ordinances of our country are compiled and legislated on the same basis as those of Europe and America; therefore, it is not our law that shareholders are not personally responsible for debts of a limited company, but it is the law ruling all over the world.

"How authentic is the judgment of August 29 which discharged the second defendant as he was sued in the capacity of managing director and should not be held responsible? The second judgment in effect says that if the company's assets are insufficient then the manager shall be responsible."

In conclusion the letter asserts that this case is not the only one in the Mixed Court in which the Chinese have complaint, but that many such complaints have been made, and sets forth a request for a court of appeals in connection with the court. At the present time the Mixed Court is all-powerful and has no court of appeals to which cases may be taken.

Big Bank Merger Effected In England

(Reuter's Service)

London, Dec. 17.—The latest big fusion of banking interests concerns the North of Scotland and Town and County Bank and the London Joint City and Midland Bank, which have entered into a provisional agreement under which the Midland Bank offers eleven fully-paid 50/- shares for every four £20 partly-paid shares of the North of Scotland Bank. The North of Scotland Bank will retain its name and continue a separate existence.

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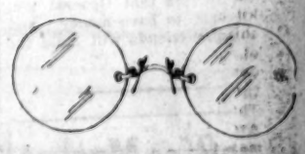

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NEW RAILROAD IS TALKED OF IN SHANTUNG

Wu Pei-fu May Construct Line From Weihsien To Chefoo, Report

(Correspondence of The China Press.)

Laichowfu, Shantung, Dec. 12.—A real railroad from Chefoo to Weihsien on the Tsinan-Tsingtau railway seems now to be a certainty in the near future. Chinese friends who are connected with the motor road and claim they know what they are talking about say that work will begin in less than a year. It seems that Wu Pei-fu and a few of his friends have gotten together the money and are going to see that the proposition goes through to completion.

It will be recalled that when the motor road was built from Weihsien to Chefoo by famine labor the roadbed was made in such a way that it could later be used for a railroad. Some sharp curves will have to be straightened out, and some of the bridges will have to be made stronger, but in general few changes will have to be made over the greater part of the road.

The motor road is paying well now, and the services is good. Several good cars have been rented for the winter. These are supplementing those that belong to the road and furnish all room that is needed. Though cars run daily from Weihsien to Chefoo and from Chefoo to Weihsien. The trip is made though one way in a day. Buses take care of the local traffic. The roadbed is kept in excellent shape for a dirt surface road.

An inventory of all that belongs to the road is being made at this time, and the talk all along the line is that the road will soon be converted into a railroad. As Wu Pei-fu's old home is Tengchowfu, one of the main stations on the line, where he has built a two-story residence, and as he has shown in recent years much interest in Tengchowfu in particular and in Shantung in general, and in view of the fact that the railroad cannot but become a paying investment, it is reasonable to believe that General Wu, who is said to have money, and his wealthy friends will build the railroad.

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News Brevities

Among arrivals on the Empress of Asia was Dr. J. W. Connell, formerly of the University of Wisconsin, Bellvue Hospital in New York, and Presbyterian Hospital in Chicago. Dr. Connell is en route to Peking where he will join the staff of the Rockefeller Foundation.

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Captain and Mrs. G. Butland, who were recently married in Japan, returned to Shanghai on the Empress of Asia.

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A joint clinical meeting with the National Medical Society and the China Medical Missionary Society will be held by the Shanghai Medical Society at the Shanghai General Hospital tomorrow, at 5:30 o'clock.

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Mr. G. W. Swire is sailing for Tientsin on the s.s. Tungchow this morning.

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The forthcoming weddings are announced in Hongkong of Mr. E. A. Carroll of the Asia Banking Corporation to Miss Dorothy Louise Hudson of Balboa Heights, Panama, and Mr. Frederick Patrick Kennedy to Miss Lorelia Maria Riberio.

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The Asia Banking Corporation will have charge of the operation of Walter E. Olsen and Company, one of the largest tobacco manufacturers in the Philippines, under an agreement that has just been reached in Manila. The company, now in receivership, is deeply indebted to the Asia and two other banks in the Philippines.

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Captain Robert Dollar, Mr. J. Harold Dollar, and their party, who have been visiting in the North are due to return to Shanghai tomorrow. After the holidays Captain Dollar will go on to Hongkong and Manila.

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Mrs. Roy Anderson and daughter of Peking arrived in Shanghai last night. Mr. Anderson, who has just returned to Shanghai from a six months trip in Yunnan, went to Nanking to meet them.

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Announcement is made of the birth of a son to Major and Mrs. G. F. Humbert at El Paso, Texas. Before her marriage Mrs. Humbert was Miss Francis Sperry of Tientsin.

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The trial of Alfred P. Pattison on charges of the embezzlement of Ts. 10,000, will be held in the Tientsin Consular Court on Friday. Pattison was arrested in Shanghai last month and has just been taken back to Tientsin.

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Mr. Chang Kya-wei, a well-known lawyer connected with the law firm of Davies and Bryan has been appointed by Admiral Tu as one of the legal advisors to the Bureau of Admiralty.

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The Rev. J. B. G. Davis, who has just arrived here from New Zealand, will speak at the Free Christian Church, Range Road, this evening at 6 o'clock. The Rev. Davis is a well-known evangelist who has been many years in Australia and New Zealand.

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Admiral Thomas Washington, commander in chief of the American Asiatic fleet, is now on a cruise in the southern Philippines on the yacht, General Alava.

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Mr. K. Hayashide, Japanese consul at Nanking, is now on a short visit here, stopping at the Banzaikwan Hotel, Seward Road. He will probably return to Nanking tomorrow or the day after tomorrow.

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Arrivals at the Astor House Hotel, included Mr. B. Frankel, Mr. E. J. Cody, Mr. W. Blank, Mr. E. Schmid, Mr. C. Breyer, and Mr. E. B. Corn.

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Dr. Fong F. Sec of the Commercial Press returned to Dr. New's Hospital at 4 Rue Bourgeat for another operation, which was performed on December 15. He is resting easily.

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The keeper of an opium den at 631 Woochang Road was sentenced to a month's imprisonment in the Mixed Court yesterday. Seven smokers arrested when the police raided the place were fined $3 each.

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For stealing 600 eggs from a shop on North Soochow a Chinese larceny expert of some note—having been previously convicted some five times in the Mixed Court—was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment yesterday. After which he will be exiled once more from this section.

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The three Chinese charged with aiding and abetting in the sale of opium on a large scale at 365 Hankow Road were again remanded by the Mixed Court yesterday when the prosecution submitted that Mr. Springfield, who conducted the raid, was indisposed. The hearing will now take place on December 27.

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For carrying five ducks by their necks along the Thibet Road, a coolie was ordered by the Mixed Court yesterday to pay $5 to the Shanghai Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

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Charged with attempting to commit suicide by swallowing a quantity of match heads, a Chinese named Oong Yui-tshing arose in the Mixed Court yesterday to explain that he had come to Shanghai from Anhui looking for a long lost friend. He had not been able to find the friend and, having run out of money, could see no other alternative than suicide. The Court, in true Yuletide spirit, ordered that Oong be given a ticket to his native place, the expense of same to be defrayed from the Court poor box.

The Rice Market

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finding its way to Japan. The Pacific Coast of the United States has certainly benefited by the Japanese earthquake. The California farmers have been making good money, and the rice mills there have been prospering. California has been selling to Japan nearly 150 million pounds of rice a year at three dollars gold per bag. The export of this rice to the Orient in recent years has been growing by leaps and bounds, and even the Japanese farmer is beginning to complain bitterly of American competition in the production of rice.

The Korean rice crop for the season is estimated at 15,375,587 koku, showing a decrease of 118,769 koku from the first estimates, but an increase of 185,002 koku over the actual yield of last season. It is reported that the Japanese catastrophe has dealt a severe blow to the trade in Korean rice, demand for it in the afflicted districts being still in suspension.

The previous forecast of Japanese rice, which placed the last crop at 70 million koku, appears to be wide of the mark, for the Japanese farmers have actually harvested some 80¼ million koku of rice, according to the final figures of the Japanese Government. Japan's normal consumption for this year amounted to 65 million koku and her production only reached 60 million koku, which made it imperative upon the country to draw on supplies from abroad. The California growers, it must be said to their credit, fully utilised Japanese possibilities, and since 1921-1922 exported very large quantities of the cereal to the Orient. The exports in that year to Japan amounted to 148 million pounds.

On the other hand, China this year is better off, for, blessed with a good crop all along the rice belt, the necessity of importing largely from abroad has been obviated. Last year was a peak year as far as imports of the cereal from Indo-China, Burma and Siam were concerned. The quantity indented last year amounted to 1,265,000 tons. This year's figures are considerably below those of last year and the year previous.

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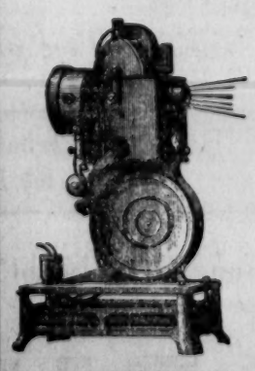

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Fight Tomorrow With Garcia Looks Like Ripper

BY WESTA

Syd Keenan, who is to mix with Garcia in the final at Louie Ladow's Coliseum de Clout tomorrow night, certainly had a good sendoff in the Manila papers when he left that turbulent center some days ago to come here.

The Manila Times, in recording his departure, spoke of him in glowing terms.

"Keenan," the article said, "is, whenever he wants to be, one of the greatest bantams that ever stepped in a ring. His trouble here has been that he has not always trained sufficiently hard for his fights, with the result that he did not always show at his best. When Syd really makes up his mind to get in there and work there is no limit to the heights he can reach, as he has everything that a fighter needs.

"The fact that he is the only invader who was never knocked off his feet in Manila speaks volumes for his toughness. Even Elino Flores, outweighing him ten pounds, was unable to floor him, although he broke Syd's nose in the attempt. Keenan's friends here are sure that he will wake up the fight fans in Shanghai when he gets there."

Them soit'nly is foine woids, and if what this writer says is true then we certainly are in for a regular scrap tomorrow night when this newcomer clashes with Garcia. This boy Garcia is nobody's mattress, or even pillow, and when it comes to toughness he has a few samples of that commodity on his own shelves. And as for speed, it is his middle monicker.

Sam Davis announced last night that the curtain raiser would be in the hands of Kid Carletos and one Shobbrook, a sailor off one of the British gunboats now in port. The latter is touted as a neat and swift workman.

H. R. MALCOLM WINS CAPTAIN'S CUP AT KIANGWAN

Defeats J. Oswald By Two And One In Final For Golf Trophy

The final in the Captain's Cup was played on Sunday between Mr. H. R. Malcolm and Mr. J. Oswald the former winning by 2 and 1.

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Interport Rugby Team Selected

The Interport side to visit Hongkong at the end of this month are due to leave by the N. Y. K. s.s. "Kashima Maru" on the 29th inst. At a meeting of the Selection Committee held last week the undermentioned twelve players were definitely chosen to represent Shanghai, vacancies being left unfilled for the right wing three quarter position and also two forwards:

(Back) C. D. Nicholl, (Three quarters) G. F. H. Bichard, H. W. P. McMeekin Capt., C. R. W. Thomson, (Half Backs), R. L. S. Webb, G. E. Goolden, (forwards) J. G. B. Dewar, J. C. Stewart, S. A. Grew, C. E. Fleury, W. E. D. Smith, B. S. Stephenson.

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The Dog Watch

By Wes'a

WALTER Camp, the old Yale football player and coach, expresses alarm in a recent magazine article (World's Work) over what he describes as the "over-organisation of athletics, particularly football," in American colleges. His chief soh is that there is "too much athletics and too few athletes."

It was our old friend Walter, if I'm not mistaken, who originated the now popular pastime of selecting, at the end of each football season, a mythical "All American" team, the same being an aggregation of players who if placed on a team together supposedly could mop up any other assortment of gridiron huskies that might be nominated to oppose them. Mr. Camp compiled his first All American team about twenty years ago, if memory serves; since which time the naming of these mythical elevens has become the chief post-season pastime of every sports writer, coach, yell leader and witch hazel splasher on the campus, and of every school boy from the grades age up in every section of the country.

It was Mr. Camp, therefore, who did more perhaps than any other man in America to popularise the gridiron sport; which makes it rather amusing that he should now rise up on his hind legs to denounce it as a Frankenstein that is likely to destroy the college athletic ideal.

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MR. Camp thinks that more of the "vast sums" realised by the colleges through the sale of admission tickets to football games should be spent in a manner that would encourage a larger participation in athletics by the college students as a whole. He thinks the high degree of specialisation in football has made it impossible for all except the fittest of the fit to share in either the benefits or the glories of college athletics, and advocates a let-up in the concentration toward football.

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IN this attitude the veteran coach makes a number of fundamental miscalculations. In the first place the "vast sums" he speaks of would soon cease to flow into the college coffers if the concentration toward football were discontinued; or if, as Prof. Raycroft of Princeton advocates, the seasonal coaches were pried loose from their jobs and competition on a Varsity team restricted to one year.

If either of these "remedies" were applied the interest of both the public and the student bodies in football would diminish rapidly, with the result that the "vast sums" would no longer be forthcoming at the stadium gates. Concentration on football has been primarily responsible for the tremendous advertising the sport has enjoyed and this in turn has made possible the enormous revenues collected by the colleges from those who attend the games. Take away the coaches, training tables and the opportunity for developing gridiron stars and immediately the quality of football will deteriorate to such a low level that comparatively few would pay to see the games. To subordinate football, therefore, would not help the other branches of college athletics.

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CONCENTRATION on football, far from restricting the other sports, has given them new life in practically every college in America. There are hundreds of schools, large and small, that have equipment, coaches and trainers for other sports that never could have been paid for and which could not be maintained if it were not for the revenue derived from football. And because of the funds thus provided to keep the other sports going literally thousands have turned out for participation in them who otherwise would not have had their interest aroused.

Football, because of the tremendous interest it has created, has built up interest in other branches of athletic endeavor in the colleges. In other words football has popularised athletics. Moreover it is idle to say that because all the candidates can-

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BARNEY GOOGLE By Billy De Beck

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BASKETBALLERS FAIL TO TURN UP, FORFEIT GAMES

Wanderers Default To Public School; St. John's Five Wins

BY K. S. CHANG

Of the four basketball games scheduled for last night, only two were played off, and out of the two played, one could scarcely be called a game, as it was only played by six men, three on each side, and in only two five minute periods.

In the Foreign League, the Wanderers forfeited their game to the Public School team by not showing up at the scheduled time. The other game between the Bowside team and the Rowing Club five was a ridiculous affair, as only three men of each team turned out for ten minutes of play. The game was won by the Rowing Club with a 14-8 score, and it had nothing worthy of special mention. According to the present indications, the Foreign League which started its season about a fortnight ago and during which period several games were defaulted, will not have a very successful year.

In the Chinese League, the Shanghai College players forfeited their game to the All-White quintet. This is the second time the college team threw away a game through the forfeiture, and it is hoped that they will play the rest of the games without further default.

The only game that was played satisfactorily last night was between the Amateurs and St. John's. The Saints came out on the long end of a 39-21 count on their own floor. Although play was not very fast, the game was fairly interesting, and the big crowd of students was constantly excited during the forty minutes of play.

Tyau opened score for the Amateurs with two foul shots, and T. T. Ling, the St. John's forward soon, tied the count with a very spectacular shot which he made while lying on the floor. Then the Saints piled up their score fast through the efficient work of their forwards, while the Amateurs found difficulty in locating the basket. At the interval, the collegians had 24 points to the Amateurs- 8.

The Amateurs fought hard in the second half to even up the score and found it in vain. However, they played better ball in this half. They showed better combination, but they were handicapped by the unfamiliarity of the floor. The score of the second half was 15 to 13 in favor of the Saints.

F. C. Tsang, starred for the winners with fast passing and good shooting, and C. T. Zung made a few clean long shots which were beauties.

The summaries:

St. John's 39		Amateurs 21
F. C. Tsang	lf	C. H. Tyau
T. T. Ling	rf	D. M. Woo
C. T. Zung	c	C. G. Hoh
Y. T. Doong	lg	P. K. Lee and S. Y. Loch
Ralph Doong	rg	S. D. Yuen

Goals from fouls: Tyau 2, Hoh and Yang 1. Goals from floor: Tsang 7, Ling, Zung and Tyau 4, Lee, Doong 2, Woo, Hoh, Loch and Y. T. Doong 1. Referee: Hazard. Timers: Er and Lee. Scorer: Chang.

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Party Given In Honor Of Parents Seventieth Birthday

Hangchow, Dec. 15.—Civil Governor Chang Tsai-yang is entertaining friends in celebration of the seventieth birthday of his mother and father. It is a brilliant occasion, with more than fifteen hundred friends from every section of the Province, and more distant places in attendance. Congratulatory scrolls have been received from most of the notables of the country, with the noticeable exception of President Tsao Kun. These handsome scrolls, pictures, and silver panels covered every available space in Governor Chang's home in the Manchu City. In addition there were many gifts of silver shields, drinking cups, and vessels of sacrifice.

The reception began in the morning at nine o'clock and continued into the evening. Governor Chang and a younger brother received the guests in front of the family altar, which was decorated with numerous gifts, scrolls, and dishes of mien, cakes and sweets common to such congratulatory occasions. After bowing to the altar, guests went into the various reception and dining rooms where they were served with dinner. Three spreads were given thru the day, at ten, two and six o'clock.

A feature of the friendly offerings received by the Governor on this day of congratulations was a set of scrolls written by the hand of Hangchow's famous octagenerian scholar, Woo Tseng-zia. Because of the fame and veneration of the old scholar literary connoisseurs immediately valued these four scrolls at $200. Another bid for the favor of the scholarz was the introduction for the books which will later hold all the sentiments expressed on the more than seven hundred scrolls which were received for the day. This introduction was written by another Chekiang scholar, one of the earliest proplets and leaders of the revolution against the Manchus, Tsang Pan-ling.

Because of their age and limited strength the old couple in whose honor the guests had gathered did not appear in public. They were reported well and duly grateful for the honors heaven had done them through their distinguished son, Governor Chang.

Obituary

PRINCE DE CASTAGNETO

(Italian Wireless through Reuter)

Rome, Dec. 16.—The death has occurred suddenly of Prince de Castagneto, the Italian Minister to Hungary.

JONKHEER VAN PANHUYS

(Reuter's Service)

Berne, Dec. 18.—The death is announced of Jonkheer van Panhuys, the Netherland Minister to Switzerland.

SIR HENRY KIMBER

(Reuter's Service)

London, Dec. 18.—The death is announced of Sir Henry Kimber at the age of 89.

Sir Henry Kimber was Vice-Chairman of the Capital and Counties Bank and Chairman of the South Indian Railway Co.

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Few women sweeter than Vera Mather, the girl who bears a cross for another's sake. JANE NOVAK

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The Dog Watch

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not make the first team they cannot play football. In every college there are second and third teams as well as the class elevens, and besides all these teams there are the "scrubs," to which every boy in school who is physically fit is eligible.

It also is idle to say that because of the concentration on football there is a curtailment of the opportunities for participation in other sports. There isn't a college boy or girl in America who cannot play tennis or golf. There are cross country teams to which all are eligible; in fact there is no branch of athletics that is closed to any able bodied student, and thanks to the large sums earned by football the facilities for indulgence in these other sports are greater than ever before, and becoming better ever year.

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FOOTBALL will not hurt either the colleges or the students, provided the present high scholastic requirements for the players are maintained and provided also that the desire to win games is not allowed to subordinate the ideals of sportsmanship which prevail in the colleges. On the contrary the colleges are fortunate that football has reached its present state of development, for through football the schools get millions of dollars worth of free advertising every year.

And if there is one idea that can't be over-advertised it is the school idea. If the rah rahs who go to school primarily to master the cross tackle buck or the heaving of aerials can be induced to stick their snoots into a book or two between scrimmages the world will be the gainer in the long run. Old Man Camp and his chiaroscuro to the contrary notwithstanding.

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Golf is an unimpeachable recreation for middle-aged, sedentary, inactive people of both sexes, says a writer in the National Review. For responsible statesmen of all parties, for lady members of Parliament, for newspaper proprietors, as for able editors who can no longer run about, for elderly or obese bureaucrats and comfortable bankers, there could be no better occupation unless it be bowls or croquet. But for the young, the actives the athletic, golf is a pitiful pursuit which, thanks to its abnormal advertisement, has become a widespread craze.

It is largely responsible for our eclipse in better games, in which we shall ultimately be relegated to a permanent back seat if the younger generation divide their time between golf and motor cycling. It stands to reason that a walking game in which there is no conflict, no rallies, little movement must be inferior from every point of view to almost any running game for the young, the strong, the healthy. Despite its present artificial popularity, we feel convinced that able-bodied Englishmen and Englishwomen will ultimately emancipate themselves. Indeed, we already note the first faint signs of reaction against the golf boom. It was a keen pleasure to hear the lightly intelligent father of a most promising boy say recently: "I have promised my boy £21 on his twenty-first birthday if he can tell me that he has never touched a golf club."

That is the right spirit, says a commentator, adding: "Many golfers admit that golf is "a rotten game"—it is their own phrase—for the normal boy, but some schoolmasters have a weakness for what suits them, and encourage their pupils to play, and sheep-like parents acquiesce. We have nothing to say against golf north of the Tweed, where it is indigenous, and where the climate handicaps many other ball games, but of late years we have had much too much of it, and heard too much of it in England, where it is an importation."

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Rockefeller Aids Edinburgh University

(Reuter's Service)

London, Dec. 18.—The Rockefeller Trustees in New York have gifted £50,000 to Edinburgh University to erect a clinical laboratory and to complete the endowment of a professorship of surgery.

"Something to Think About"

Empire Exhibition Will Open April 23

(Reuter's Service)

London, Dec. 18.—Reuter understands that the date of the opening of the British Empire Exhibition has been fixed for April 23, 1924, St. George's Day.

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MASS MEETING BACKS SUN IN CUSTOMS FIGHT

Action Of Powers Denounced; South Is Urged To Take Revenues

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Canton, Dec. 16.—The mass-meeting of residents of Canton today was held under the auspices of the Canton Reconstruction Committee.

The meeting resolved to request Dr. Sun Yat-sen to take over control of the Maritime Customs Administration in the south-west, and denounced the intention of the Powers to hold a naval demonstration to prevent Dr. Sun's forces taking over control.

Labor and student elements composed the meeting.

(Eastern News Agency)

Canton, Dec. 18.—With reference to the Customs surplus question, a certain high official of the Foreign Office of the Canton Government states that formal instructions are to be given tomorrow to the Commissioner of the Canton Customs to surrender the Customs surplus, and that in case the Commissioner refuses to comply with the request, the present Customs House here shall be closed and in its place a new one be established, for which new officials are to be appointed. At present, off Shameen, there are 17 foreign warships, including 6 American, 5 British, 2 French, 2 Japanese, 1 Portuguese and 1 Italian. British troops have also arrived here from Hongkong.

New Obstacle To Parley On German Woes

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territories and resumption of traffic with unoccupied Germany.

(French Wireless through Reuter)

Paris, Dec. 17.—M. Poincare yesterday evening had communicated to Herr von Hoesch the French reply to the German Note of Saturday, an understanding having previously been reached with the Brussels Cabinet to which M. Jaspar communicated the Belgian reply today.

In substance M. Poincare declared himself ready to talk with the German representative on all questions which the Berlin Cabinet wished to place before him. He then specified that, if the conversations turned on inter-Allied questions, such as reparations, he reserved the right to act in concert with the Allies, the Reparations Commission being the sole competent body in that matter.

As to the Rhineland and the Ruhr the Premier would willingly consider suggestions for the establishment of a modus vivendi, it being well understood that the French and Belgian authorities and the Inter-Allied High Commission would continue to exercise thier functions. In conclusion M. Poincare pointed out that, if passive resistance appeared to have ceased in the Ruhr, yet the Inter-Allied missions of military control had not yet been able to resume operations.

The Temps expresses satisfaction that "the French reply does not thrust aside any serious proposal which Germany might address to France and Belgium." The Journal des Debats declares "as much as we shall be happy to talk with men of good-will, desirous of remedying the distress of their country by means of reasonable agreements, we are also determined to recall the German Ministers to prudence if they try again to lead astray public opinion." The Temps sees in the speech by Herr Stresemann yesterday to the Berlin press the first indication of a nature to justify these fears.

14 PERCENT INCOME TAX CUT PLANNED

(Reuter's American Service)

Washington, Dec. 17.—The Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Andrew Mellon, has completed the draft tax reduction project for Congressional action. The outstanding features are an actual reduction of approximately 14 percent for wage-earners receiving $4,000 a year or less; reduction of the normal tax to three percent on the first $4,000 of net income and to six percent on the remainder, and reduction of surtaxes so that the maximum will total 25 percent.

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Philippines Are Unit For Freedom Investigator Says

(BY UNITED PRESS)

New York, Dec. 17—An article published today by the New York Times, which recently sent a staff correspondent, Richard V. Oulahan, to the Philippines to report on conditions there, says that the Filipinos are a unit in favor of immediate independence for the island.

However, Mr. Oulahan reports, the politicos of the Islands are responsible for the fight made in the legislature against Governor-General Leonard Wood and the antagonism to Governor Wood is not to be taken as an indication of the feelings of the people at large.

Convict Constable Of Theft Committed In Police Station

A Chinese Police Constable, No. 372, was charged in the Mixed Court yesterday and convicted with the theft of two silk gowns belonging to one Zau Yoong-chung of the station. He was sentenced to 6 months imprisonment.

ROBBER VICTIM DIES

An inquest was begun yesterday by Assessor Allman and Magistrate Li over the body of a Chinese who was shot when armed robbers held up a shop on Woosung Road on December 5. The man had been in hospital since. Six men have been arrested in connection with the robbery and the inquest was adjourned after evidence of identification had been taken.

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Gen. Yang Sen's Troops Resting Up At Chungking

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Peking, Dec. 18.—General Yang Sen's main army is remaining at Chungking resting and refitting The Yunnanese, who retreated across the Yangtze when General Yang Sen approached, have reached Kikiang to the south of Chungking and some forty kilometres from Nanchuan, where General Yang Sen has stationed an outpost. The outpost is a small mobile force and will be able to retreat quickly if attacked by the Yunnanese. The retreating Szechuan Army began to retire towards Kiangtsin, but the so-called Szechuan neutral force left Luchow for Kiangtsin on the fall of Chungking with the intention of cutting off the Szechuan army. The latter thereupon turned abruptly to the north and is now marching in the direction of Tungliang, which is about 50 kilometres from Chungking in the direction of Chengtu. General Yang Sen has stationed another outpost at Pishanhsien, 20 kilometres to the west of Chungking.

Reports indicate that the Kwelchow Army has not entered Chungking. The townspeople appealed to General Yuan Tsu-ming to send the Kwelchow troops out of Szechuan as they were liable to loot. Ostensibly complying with this appeal, General Yuan Tsu-ming is sending two divisions back to Kwelchow. These divisions were recruited from bandit gangs in Yunnan and, though excellent fighters, have always been difficult to control when fighting ceased. General Yang Sen consented to their departure, saying that he had plenty of troops to meet emergencies. It is estimated that he still has eight divisions.

It is reported, however, that the two Kwelchow divisions are required at Kwelchow where a movement is on foot to turn out General Tang Chi-yui, who assumed control after the death of the Tuchun, General Liu Hsin-shih. General Tang drove out General Yuan Tsu-ming and the military authorities suspect that he thinks the time is ripe to return and secure control under General Wu Pei-fu.

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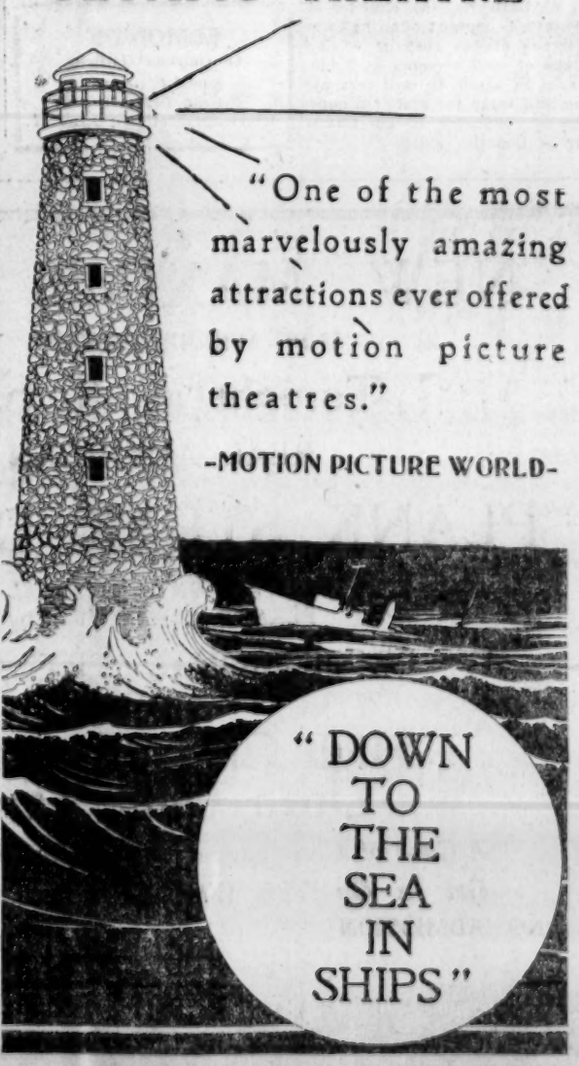

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Trees Are Like Men, Visit To Logging Camp Reveals

Glimpse Of Lumberjack At Work In Forest—Trees Which Have Not Had To Battle To Live Are Of No Value

BY B. C. FORBES

Trees have much in common with human beings.

When I scaled the Sierra Mountains last year, I learned that whenever the top of a tree is blown off or otherwise destroyed, the strongest branch immediately ceases to grow out from the tree and begins to rise straight up to take the place of the trunk.

Trees, manifestly, believe in "carrying on." They thus do what families do, what corporations do, when the head is stricken down. The strongest surviving member steps into the vacant place.

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A few weeks ago, by getting out of bed by 5:30 in the morning, I was conducted to the mountainous virgin forests in the state of Washington to be treated to an exhibition of the more spectacular feats connected with logging, as the cutting down of timber and its transformation into marketable lumber is called. After a long ride, we reached the base of an important camp, where we stood on a flat truck attached to the curiously-constructed "donkey," otherwise locomotive, which climbed up the mountainside.

Two lumberjacks showed us how they felled giant trees a few hundred to many hundreds of years of age and rising 200 to 300 feet towards the sky. The lumberjacks could put down a tin can 200 feet from the base of the tree and cause the tree to smash the tin can in its fall, so accurately could they govern the direction of the tree's fall.

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A daring Scandinavian, Matt Dahl, shinnied up a 200-footer like a squirrel, worked like a beaver around the trunk of the tree some 180 feet from the ground, and then came rushing down like lightning, using nothing but spikes in his shoes and a rope, which he used like a slipping rope to prevent him from falling backwards, the ends of the rope being in his hands and the rope itself switched down and down, ten or twenty feet at a time, the whole process mystifying the greenhorn onlooker. Then, in a few moments, there was an explosion, the whole top of the tree rose several feet into the air and then came crashing down, blasted off as neatly as if done by a saw.

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Next, we were shown how, by means of wires and pulleys rigged up on one of these "spar trees," and harnessed to a powerful engine, giant trees could be picked up 50 or 100 or several hundred yards away and brought swinging to the railway flat car as if they were matches.

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All that was very interesting, he also was a meal in the logger's mess hall with the men—and by the way, I never had a better meal in my life than the one I ate alongside the sturdy workers in this camp.

But, to be truthful, what made the most impression on my mind was what Colonel Roland H. Hartley and Joseph Irving, the owners of large timber tracts in this part of Washington, told me about the conditions under which trees grow best.

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"Arn't these trees far too close together?" I asked, when they pointed out what they described as an ideal forest which was springing up after the virgin timber had been removed.

What I was told was this: The only trees that are of any marketable value are those which have to battle and fight for a living. Trees that meet no competition no struggle for existence, become worthless. They spend their substance in sending out all sorts of useless branches in every direction, with the result that the trees produce little or no lumber to use of man.

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The trees that reach a height of several hundred feet, the trees which grow as straight as a mast, the trees which contain thousands and thousands of feet of usable lumber and are worth hundreds of dollars each, are the ones which had to fight their way upwards to reach sunlight and which were so beset on every side by competitors that they could not afford to waste their substance on useless branches, but conserved all their strength in the one maintrunk and had to keep growing and growing to prevent them from being smothered by the crowd.

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I could see for myself as we climbed up into the virgin forests, that the giant trees, many of them centuries old, had no branches to speak of except at the very top.

On the way down, these veteran lumbermen pointed out trees growing, without competition, in open fields or on the banks of ponds, or other spaces. Sure enough, these trees hadn't enough merchantable lumber to pay the cost of felling them.

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Somehow, this silent struggle of inhabitants of the forests has remained in my mind ever since. It has caused me to do quite a lot of reflecting, not only upon trees and their struggles for existence, but upon human beings, and their struggles—or lack of struggles—for existence.

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Is it not often the case that pampered sons who are not under the necessity of working for a living prove worthless?

Was Napoleon Brave?

"Was Napoleon brave?" is the question raised by the re-publication of the almost-forgotten memoirs of Jean Gabriel Eynard, a citizen of Switzerland, who records conversations with Tallyrand. That famous diplomat held firmly to the view that Napoleon was secretly a coward and his opinion was not to be shaken by arguments offered by others present. "For instance," he said, "he wrote me a letter on the evening before the battle of Austerlitz, betraying the utmost irresolution." More serious is the charge that, during the fighting at Gross-Aspern he "hid himself behind a tree and completely lost his head."

"How did it happen?" Eynard reasonably asked, "if he was a coward, that he courted new danger and was constantly engaging in new wars?" Tallyrand evaded the question, but insisted that Bonaparte was not brave: "His timidity showed itself in everything. At table he would not drink water from the carafe that stood next to him. He always asked for a glass from another carafe at the further end of the table." This, however, might show astuteness, rather than want of courage, and the same may be said of the extraordinary precautions taken by Napoleon when traveling, though the thick lining of paper in his coach which Talleyrand supposed to be a protection against bullets, would be much more rational as a protection against cold—no small matter when making one of his famous journeys across Europe, spending the night sometimes in his coach in the dead of winter.

For these journeys, as is well-known, Napoleon had made a traveling library of small books, the precursor of the pocket edition that became so popular 30 years ago, and of the "Pigskin library," that Theodore Roosevelt took to Africa with him. Whatever may be said for or against the courage of the Corsican conqueror, there is no question in regard to his extraordinary and versatile intellectual activity. He used to say that his mind had compartments like the drawers of a bureau, and that at will he could close one and pull out another.

The rapidity with which he shifted from one sphere of activity to another, is illustrated in the amusing anecdote related by Vidal, who tells how, one day, when the famous French violoncellist, Duport, was playing a solo at a private party in the Tuileries, Napoleon suddenly appeared in the drawing room, booted and spurred, abruptly turning from military affairs to the patronage of the arts. He praised the soloist and snatching the instrument with his usual vivacity, he asked: "How the devil do you hold this, M. Duport?" and, sitting down he squeezed the poor violoncello between his spurred boots. This was too much for the unfortunate musician, who, after a moment's paralysis from awe, could not stand seeing his precious instrument treated like a war horse, and made a hurried step forward, uttering the word, "sire!"

Minute historical studies have been made of the autocratic way in which Napoleon looked after the theaters when he was not engaged in war or the affairs of state; as a dictator at least, he showed no lack of courage.

When asked how it happened that Bonaparte succeeded in convincing everyone of his courage, Tallyrand replied, "That is because there never was a person who possessed a greater faculty for acting than Napoleon. He is a trickster and imposter to the core. His greatest talent is his genius for deception. He owed his rise in the world primarily to his cunning."

Jean Gabriel Eynard was evidently not convinced and the evidence seems far from convincing. That Napoleon was frightened on at least one occasion, seems fairly well established; after Waterloo he feared being lynched, but many brave soldiers have feared mob violence who would accept with equanimity the hazards of the battlefield. So ignominious an end the greatest of military heroes might be excused for shunning.

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French Employes Protest On Wages

(Reuter's American Service)

Paris, Dec. 17.—The extremist section of civil servants today attempted a demonstration against the Government's refusal to increase the cost of living bonus by 750 francs. Several parties marching to the Place de L'Opera were dispersed by the police. Twenty arrests were made.

(Reuter's Service)

Paris, December 18.—Altogether 77 arrests were made at the demonstration of civil servants yesterday. Six were detained and charged with assaulting the police. M. de Lasteyrie, the Minister of Finance, is opposed to an uniform increase of the cost of living bonus of civil servants to 1,800 francs as asked by civil servants and will make the matter a question of confidence in the Chamber of Deputies today.

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HONIGSBERG MUST GIVE MOTOR CAR BACK TO RYTON

U. S. Court Rules On Suit Over Disputed Automobile

H. S. Honigsberg and Company are ordered to give up a Buick motor car to Mr. R. T. Ryton in a judgment handed down in the United States Court for China by Judge S. Lobingier yesterday. In the judgment Judge Lobingier held that as Honigsberg originally sold the car to Mr. H. A. Clifton and obtained judgment against him for the unpaid balance they could not retain possession of the car afterwards purchased by Mr. Ryton under the rule of condition sales and waiver which holds that "a vendor who, after delivery and part payment under a condition sale, recovers judgment against the vendee, thereby waives the right to retake the property."

In the testimony it was alleged that after Mr. Clifton paid Tls. 2,350 toward the purchase price of Tls. 3,300 he sold his rights to Mr. Ryton for Tls. 2,000. As Honigsberg's had not been paid in full they sued Mr. Clifton in another court and got judgment. As they were unable to collect they were alleged to have seized the motor car in the possession of Mr. Ryton.

Rodger & Husar appeared for the successful plaintiff and Mr. H. R. Snyder of Fesseden & Holcomb, appeared for the defendant. Judge Lobingier's full judgment was as follows:

"This is an action of replevin for an automobile delivered by defendant to one H. A. Clifton under an agreement of conditional sale. The petition alleges purchase by plaintiff from the vendee without notice. No answer seems to have been filed but counsel for both parties have signed an "agreed statement of facts" by which it appears that the purchase price was Tls. 3,300.00 of which the purchaser paid Tls. 2,350.00 and received for his rights Tls. 2,000.00 from plaintiff.

"Several questions are ably discussed in the briefs of counsel but we find the first controlling. It is admitted that defendant obtained an injunction in the court of plaintiff's nation restraining him from disposing of the car but that this proceeding was afterward abandoned and

"that thereafter the Defendant obtained a judgment against the said Clifton in H. B. M. Supreme Court for China at Shanghai, for the balance of instalments due." etc. (par. 14) . . .

"That on March 2nd 1923 the defendant caused the said Buick motor car to be removed from a public road within the International Settlement, and from the plaintiff's possession, into its, the defendant's garage." etc. (par. 15)

"It is conceded that by "the weight of authority" this obtaining of judgment constituted a waiver of defendant's claim to the property.

"The seller cannot resort to more than one remedy, but must elect which he will pursue; and generally an action and recovery of judgment for the price operates as a confirmation of the sale precluding the seller from maintaining an action to recover the goods." (1)

"To this announcement of the law authorities are cited from no less than twelve jurisdictions and plaintiff's counsel in their brief cite additional authorities from four more. (2) It is true that decisions to the contrary are cited from five or six other jurisdictions but the preponderance in favor of the view expressed is pronounced. No Federal authorities are cited on either side but the Court of Appeals of the eighth circuit has declared:

"It is the universally recognized rule of law, instinct with the spirit of justice, that where a right to reclaim property conditionally sold is reserved to the vendor in the effect of the failure of the vendee to make payment of any installment due on the purchase price, he may not retake and appropriate the property and also recover the whole purchase price; and the retaking of the property by the seller defeats his right to recover unpaid installments." (3)

"It would seem that the rule should work both ways and that if the vendor forfeits his claim to the purchase price by retaking the property, he waives his claim to the latter by treating the purchaser as the owner and obtaining judgment against him for the price. Nor can we agree that local conditions or the conflict of laws render inapplicable the majority doctrine.

"It is urged that defendant's judgment has never been satisfied. That fact does not appear in the agreed statement nor by any evidence. But we do not think a different conclusion would follow had such fact been shown. For the majority doctine is based not upon the theory that the debt has been satisfied but that the vendor by electing to pursue the personal remedy waives his claim to the property.

"On the other hand neither the agreed statement nor the evidence affords any basis for plaintiff's claim for damages. The complaint indeed "alleges that Tls. 5.00 per day is a fair and reasonable charge for the hire, use and possession of the said car." But there is nothing to support this averment nor does it even appear that defendant has used the car since it recovered possession.

"The interesting question as to the effect of consular registration of sale agreements need not be determined here but it would seem that such registration constitutes at least a wise precaution.,

"It appearing that plaintiff has acquired the rights of the purchaser and that the latter by the judgment against him was recognized as the owner of the car it is hereby considered and adjudged that plaintiff have and recover possession thereof together with costs."

(1) Cyc. XXXV, 696.

(2) Idaho. North Robinson Dean Co. v. Strong, 25 Idaho, 721, 139 Pac., 847. Illinois. Shepard v. Mills, 173 Ill., 223, 50 N. E., 709. Oregon. Francis v. Bohart, 76 Or., 3, L. R. A. 1916A, 922, 147 Pac., 755. Washington, Ramey v. Smith, 56 Wash., 604, 106 Pac. 160; Stewart & H. Drug Co. v. Ross, 74 Wash., 401, 133 Pac., 577.

(3) Manson v. Dayton et al., 153 Fed. 858, 82 C. C. A. 588.

Cabinet Takes Up Copper Note Loss

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Peking, Dec. 15.—Today's Cabinet meeting is expected to discuss the copper note depreciation as set forth in the report of General Hsueh Tu-pi, Vice-Minister of Justice. It is understood that a number of people will be implicated in the scandal, among whom is mentioned Mr. Chang Ying-hua, former Minister of Finance.

Sir Roderick Jones Is Feted In Japan

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Tokio, Dec. 17.—Sir Roderick Jones, the head of Reuters, was received in audience this morning by the Prince Regent, who made interested enquiries on various matters. During his stay in Tokio Sir Roderick has been the guest of Prince Tokugawa, Baron Ijuin, the British Society, press associations and others. He was the guest for the week-end at Nikko of Count Kabayama, the President of the Board of Directors of Kokusai News Agency.

Six Dead Men Are Picked Up In Boat Of Wrecked Ship

(Reuter's American Service)

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 17.—A coastguard cutter today picked up a boat with six dead men from the Norwegian steamer Runa, which foundered on Saturday off Frying Pan Shoals. A tanker picked up another boat with four men who are believed to be the only survivors of the crew of 27. The Runa was voyaging from Havana to Liverpool.

More Casualties Reported In Quake

(Reuter's American Service)

Guayaquil, Dec. 17.—Twenty-seven fatalities resulted from the earthquake, which destroyed the artiliery barracks and the principal church and damaged almost every house in the town of Tulcan. A vast region of Colombia was affected and many small towns were destroyed.

BAN ON PLUMAGE

(Reuter's Service)

London, Dec. 17.—The Board of Trade announces that from January 1, 1924, the importation of plumage of Japanese and copper pheasants will not be permitted without a licence.

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Alma Estates Meeting

The annual general meeting of the Alma Estates, Ltd. was held yesterday. Mr. E. T. Byrne presided, supported by Mr. N. G. Maitland, Dr. R. S. Ivy, Mr. C. J. L. Stewart (directors), and Mr. C. G. Copley, representing Messrs. J. A. Wattie and Company, Ltd., secretaries.

The Chairman's speech was as follows:

Gentlemen.—Adopting the usual course, I will, with your permission, take the Report and Accounts as read.

I think that you will agree with me that we have reason to be satisfied with the result of the working for the year under review, the net profit being Tls. 43,867.58.

This satisfactory result is principally due to the Restriction Enactment which came into force on November 1st, 1922, and which enabled us to receive a better price for our rubber than we had done for some years past.

With the balance Tls. 25,804.56 brought forward from last year, the amount at credit of Profit & Loss Account stands as follows:

	Tls.
To pay a dividend of Tls. .050 per share	35,000.00
To write off Development a/c.	5,730.85
To write off Stock of Share Certificates	1.00
To carry forward to next year's a/c.	28,940.29
Tls.	69,672.14

I shall ask you later to pass resolutions to this effect. In the previous year's Accounts the Investment Account stood in the books at Tls. 13,134.85. During the year we sold the £1,650 worth of British 5 percent War Loan and the 2,000 Ordinary Shares of the Senawang Rubber Estates Company that we held, at prices shewing a profit on the costs. The balance of this account now stands at Tls. 559 against which we hold 500 12 percent Cumulative Preference Shares of The Senawang Rubber Estates Company, Limited which are worth more.

The item Investment Exchange Account does not appear in the Accounts before you as the amount of Tls. 5,634.85 formerly at the credit of this account has been transferred to Profit & Loss Account, there being no further need for it.

For the past six years all Estate Expenditure has been apportioned 90 percent to Revenue and 10 percent to Capital. This year, with the exception of the direct cost of the Upkeep of the Non-Producing Area, amounting to Taels 7,730.85, all Expenditure has been charged to Revenue, which has added nearly 1½ cents per pound to the cost notwithstanding which the all-in-cost, including duty and Shanghai Expenses, is slightly less than the 32 Straits Cents estimated.

The Sales of Rubber up to September 30 amounted to 217,393 lbs. and realised an average net price of 14.61 pence per pound which must, under ruling circumstances, be considered satisfactory.

A contract for 2½ tons monthly, Smoked Sheet at 67¼ cents per lb., delivered into godown at Singapore has been in force since February of this year. This contract will be completed at the end of this month. No further contracts have been made, but when the opportunity of a satisfactory price offers, it will be availed of.

The estimated output for this year is 260,000 lbs., but as stated in the report, it is difficult to accurately predict what restriction will allow it to be, should it be about the quantity named, it is reckoned that the all-in-cost, including Duty and Shanghai Expenses, should be about 32 cents per lb.

It now remains to be seen how we can adjust conditions so that costs can be reduced to what they were before the restriction enactment came into force which in our case was about 25 cents against 32 cents today—the increase being accounted for by the fact that all expenses do not go down in proportion with the reduction in the output and as far as are concerned probably half our present planted area would produce all we are allowed.

There is no inducement therefor to clear and plant up further, although we have about 600 acres reserve land that have engaged our attention for some time, and had there been no restriction and in view of our low costs this lot would have now been partly cleared and planted.

You can see we have quite a difficult proposition to face, we feel we ought to go ahead and gradually open up all reserve land but on the other hand neither present conditions nor the near future warrant the outlay—all of which goes to emphasize the advantage the Dutch Rubber Companies have over us even taking into consideration those who exercise voluntary restriction.

Turning to Estate matters, no change has taken place in the planted area during the year, which remains at 1,500 acres.

Owing to the dilapidated state that the Manager's bungalow had got into, through the ravages of white ants, it was found necessary to completely reconstruct it, and advantage was taken of his absence on Home Leave to put the work in hand, the cost of doing so estimated at $10,000 will appear in the current year's account.

Mr. Ferguson the Visiting Agent, visited the estate on September 28th last, and reported that the satisfactory condition of the property had been fully maintained throughout the year.

The report in your hands is so fully detailed that I cannot add further to it, other than to assure you that your property is in first class condition.

Mr. H. E. Sparke the Manager is at present on home leave, but is due back on the estate early this month.

During his absence Mr. J. C. Joubert has acted as Manager assisted by R. H. Vaughan, and I take this opportunity of expressing the Board's appreciation of their services.

For some considerable time past your Directors have had in mind the desirability of having as our Straits Agents some firm or individual who is more intimately connected with Shanghai in general and our interests in particular, than our present representatives are. An opportunity to achieve this end occurred during the year and arrangements were accordingly made to transfer the Straits Agency to Messrs. Kennedy, Burkill & Co. Ltd. on the 1st December, 1923. I would like here to record a hearty vote of thanks to Messrs. Harrisons, Barker & Co. Ltd., who have acted as the Company's Agents for many years past, for their valuable services to the Company and to emphasize the fact that your Directors were in no wise dissatisfied with the manner in which they conducted the affairs of the estate, but they feel that as Messrs. Kennedy, Burkill & Co., Ltd. will represent practically all of the Shanghai Rubber Companies and moreover have, in a senior position on their staff, a gentleman who has lived in Shanghai for many years and who is very intimately acquainted with the affairs of the various Companies, they will now receive that personal interest and attention which is so essential to the satisfactory conduct of business matters and which is unobtainable from mere correspondence.

That is all I have to say, Gentlemen, but before putting the resolutions to the meeting, I shall be glad to answer any questions you wish to ask.

RESOLUTIONS

(1) That the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30 September, 1923, as presented, be adopted and passed.

(2) That a dividend of Taels 0.50 per share be paid to Shareholders on record on the 18 December, 1923.

(3) That Dr. R. S. Ivy be re-elected a Director of the Company.

(4) That Messrs. G. H. & N. Thomson be elected Auditors to the Company at Shanghai for the ensuing year at a fee of Taels 150.

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YELLOW RIVER DYKE FILMS AT Y.M.C.A. TONIGHT

Mr. Paul P. Whitham To Describe Big Reclamation Work

Moving pictures of the reclamation project recently completed by the Asia Development Company in Northern Shantung will be shown at the Y.M.C.A. this evening, beginning at 8.15. An address on this project which entailed the building a large dam and opening up a new channel for the Yellow River nine miles long which will be given by Mr. Paul Page Whitham, manager of the Asia Development Company. The film shows the work carried on in behalf of the laborers by the Y.M.C.A., which was much along the lines effectively carried through under the leadership of the Y.M.C.A. in France among the Chinese labor battalions during the war.

One feature of the evening's program will be the exhibition of a silver cup which has recently presented by the gentry of Northern Shantung to the National Committee, Y.M.C.A., in recognition of the services rendered on behalf of the laborers. The meeting will be open to general public and all friends of the Association are invited.

Community Church To Make Usual New Year Calls

Community Church will follow its custom of organising its number for New Year's Calls on January 1, 1924, from four to seven in the afternoon. Dr. Luther Freeman the first pastor of the church instituted this feature and it has proved so acceptable that it has been continued. The coming day will be the fourth New Year's day so celebrated by friends and members of the church.

The ladies are being organised under the direction of Mrs. Ray Christy, chairman of the social committee of the Woman's Auxiliary. Homes which are central will be opened to the women. The men under the direction of Mr. Kerr will go from home to home in groups and thus all of the men of the church call on all of the women. Refreshments will be served, something different at each home. At least one home will be opened on the north side, one in the central district, and three in the French Concession.

Foot And Mouth Plague Continues

(Reuter's Service)

London, Dec. 17.—Up to the present 1,245 outbreaks of foot and mouth disease in England have been notified, and 41,183 cattle and 42,173 sheep, pigs and goats slaughtered. The Government has paid £1,246,000 compensation. The Doncaster and Newcastle Christmas Fat Stock Shows have been abandoned.

China's New Envoy Leaves For Japan

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Peking, Dec. 15.—Mr. Wang Yun-pao, Minister to Japan, left here this morning for Tokio. He will travel via Mukden and Korea and stay over at Mukden for a talk with Marshal Chang Tso-lin.

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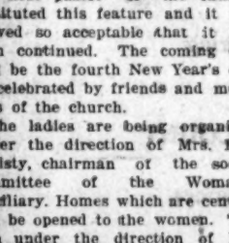

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Church Collections To Be Given To Charities Here

The Governing Board of Community Church at its meeting held in the Navy Y.M.C.A. on Monday December 17, voted to devote all of the loose change collections received at both services during the coming year for the various benevolent causes which ordinarily present their appeals to the church people. This amount will be about $3,000.00 a year. Opportunity will be given to the people to designate where they desire their gifts to go, otherwise the money will be divided under the direction of a committee.

Sailor Drowns In Whangpoo

An unidentified man, believed to be a Japanese sailor from one of the Japanese vessels in port, was drowned on Monday evening, according to a report made to police yesterday by Mr. K. Kawaba, wharfinger at the Whangpoo wharf. The sailor, he said, appeared to be intoxicated, and fell between the wharf and the French steamer Cambord. The body has not been recovered.

Weather Report

Dec. 17.—The anticyclone moves down in Hunan and Kiangsi. The depression passes to the N. of Korea and crosses the Sea of Japan. The pressure is rising again on Lake Baikal. Cyclonic winds around the depression; westerly breezes to the N. of the Eastern Sea; strong monsoon to the S. of the Formosa Strait. Fine and cold weather at Shanghai and in the Yangtze Valley; rain in the Philippines; fog on the coasts of Tongking and Annam.

Dec. 18.—Fine and cold weather; hoar frost and mist before sunrise. Light breezes veering to the S. quadrant. The pressure, nearly normal, is slowly decreasing.

"Something to Think About"

Asks For Ruling On Question Of Witness Expense

Whether travelling expenses of witnesses in cases in the American Court can be counted as costs of the action will be decided in the near future when Judge Charles S. Lobingier will hand down a ruling on the question. To date the American Court has never ruled on the question.

The question arose yesterday when Mr. Richard T. Evans, representing Mr. Carl Fick, asked that the Court allow his clients expenses from Harbin to Shanghai as costs at the rate of fifteen cents gold per mile. Mr. Fick came here to testify in the suit he filed against the American Commercial and Industrial Company in which he was granted six months leave in Denmark with salary.

Philatelists Meet To Hear Lecture This Afternoon

The Shanghai Philatelic Society will hold its usual fortnightly meeting at 5:45 p.m. today at the Hall of the Royal Asiatic Society, Museum Road.

Mr. J. A. Smallbones will give a lecture on the stamps of the Cape of Good Hope. The meeting is open to the public. A few lots of good stamps will be auctioned following the lecture.

The Society has an active membership of 70 philatelists. The secretary, Mr. Wm. C. Divers, 212 Dixwell Road, will be pleased to nominate for membership any responsible collector of good standing.

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Sensational Rise Is Made By Cotton

(Reuter's American Service)

New York, Dec. 17.—Values jumped sensationally today, the cotton market closing 97 to 116 points higher.

Ghoulish Theft Still A Mystery

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Tokio, Dec. 17.—The theft of the ashes of Mr. Osugi remains a mystery.

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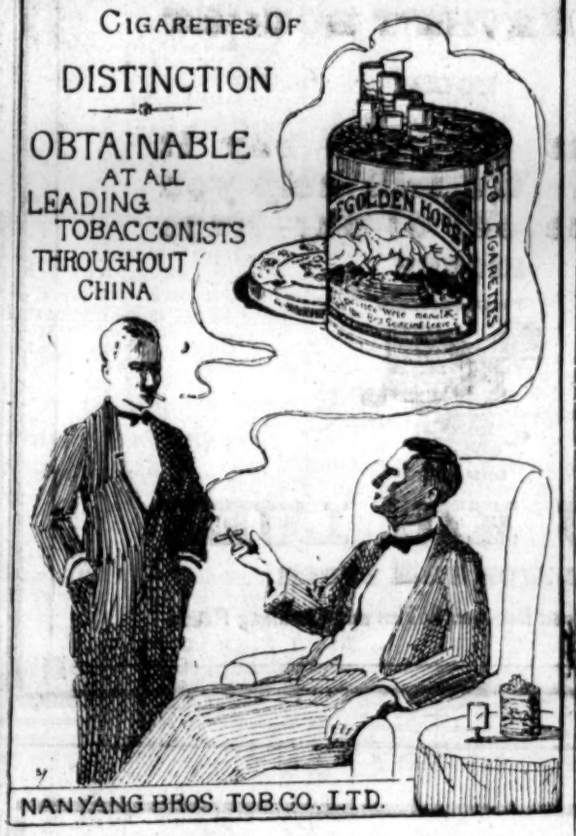

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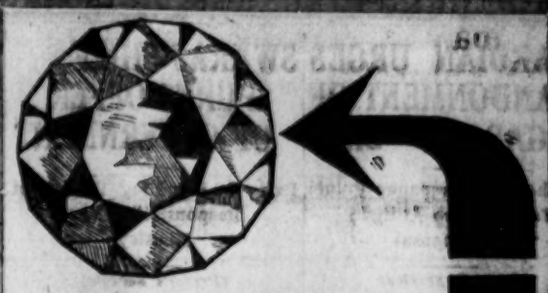

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GUARDIAN URGES ABANDONMENT OF SINGAPORE BASE

Manchester Newspaper Points To Japanese Attitude On Proposal

(Reuter's Service)

London, Dec. 17.—The Manchester Guardian, in a leading article opposing the Singapore base, says that only a direct veto by Parliament will restrain the Admiralty from carrying out the expensive task. The Japanese press has lately been emphasising that such enterprises as the Singapore base will imperil the spirit of the Five Power Pact. If that spirit is observed, there can be no danger of war in the Pacific. The Pact should be regarded not as the end of a reasonable arrangement but as the beginning. Everything should be done in the meanwhile to convince the Powers concerned that their best chance of peace lies in renewing the Pact and in extending its scope, instead of which we have been taking advantage of the breathing space to create difficulties which cannot fail to be felt very forcibly at the end of the five years.

Singapore Plans Strict Penalties To Check Crime

(Reuter's American Service)

Singapore, Dec. 17.—Following a period of crimes of violence and extortion by Chinese, mostly aliens, against other Chinese, the Legislature has passed an ordinance containing stringent penalties, including the cat.

The measures being taken include a general search for arms in the streets.

SWARAJ CHIEF SPURNS OFFER OF GOVERNMENT

Party Is Unwilling To Accept Responsibility For Ministry

(Reuter's Service)

Calcutta, Dec. 17.—Mr. Das today replied to the Governor of Bengal expressing regret that he was unable to undertake Ministerial responsibility, the Swaraj Party having decided not to accept the offer.

Mr. Das points out that the Swarajists are pledged to put an end to the diarchy, which they would be unable to do if he took office as he would not consider it honest to accept and turn it into an instrument of obstruction. He expresses, nevertheless, the Swaraj Party's appreciation of the spirit of constitutionalism actuating the Earl of Lytton in making the offer.

(Reuter American Service)

Calcutta, Dec. 17.—A Swaraj meeting today further pledged the Party to reject all Government measures until the national demand for at least provincial responsible government was granted.

The pact drawn up between Hindu and Moslem members of the Legislature provides, inter alia, that under self-government 55 percent of the posts should be allotted to Mohammendans, religious toleration should be maintained, and a Hindu-Moslem committee should be appointed to settle communal disputes.

Thirty Entombed In Japan Mine Mishap

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Tokio, Dec. 17.—Owing to collapses within a coal-mine at Kasuya in Fukuoka Prefecture this morning, thirty miners are entombed. Owing to gas rescue work is difficult and it is feared hopeless.

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7 Avenue Edouard VII,
Shanghai, 17th December, 1923.
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CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS

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BY Order,
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A joint clinical meeting with the National Medical Society and the China Medical Missionary Society will be held at the Shanghai General Hospital on Thursday, 20th. December, at 5.30 p.m.
All visiting physicians will be cordially welcomed.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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Tuesday, 1st January, 1924.
Wednesday, 2nd January, 1924.

Further details will be announced later.

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7°.—Applications, for Debentures under 97 will not be recognised by the Council.

8°.—For further informations, apply to Mr. P. Legendre, Secretary, French Municipal Council.

By Order,
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Shanghai, 31st May 1923.
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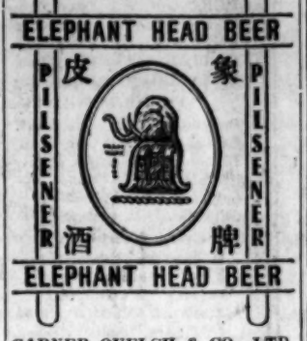

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Harbin	Tientsin
Hongkong	Tokio
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N. S. MARSHALL, Manager.
14A Kiukiang Road, Shanghai.

The Bank of China

(Specially authorised by Presidential Mandate of 15th April, 1915)

Authorised Capital $60,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital $19,760,100.00
Reserve Fund $ 6,033,345.41

Head Office: Peking.
Branches and Agencies:

Peking	Taiyuan	Shanghai
Tientsin	Kaifeng	Hankow
Chanchun	Wuhu	Ichang
Antung	Anking	Changsha
Dalny	Hangchow	Nanchang
Moukden	Ningpo	Kiukiang
Newchwang	Nanking	Foochow
Harbin	Chinkiang	Amoy
Kirin	Hsuchow	Canton
Tsinan	Soochow	Hongkong
Chefoo	Wusieh	Swatow
Tsingtao	Yangchow	Chungking
etc.,	etc.,	etc.,

Foreign Correspondents:
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SUNG HAN-CHANG,
Manager

Nederlandsche Handel Maatschappy

(Netherlands Trading Society)
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Reserve Funds: Guilders 19,769,181 about £1,647,432)
Special Reserve: Guilders 22,660,000 (about £1,888,333).

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
Head Agency: BATAVIA
Agencies in Holland:
THE HAGUE and ROTTERDAM

Branches:

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Bandoeng	Palembang
Bombay	Penang
Calcutta	Pontianak
Cheribun	Rangoon
Djember	Semarang
Djokjakarta	Singapore
Hongkong	Soerakarta
Kobe	Soerabaya
Kota-Radja	Tegal
Makassar	Tjilatjap
Medan	Welteyreden
Padang	

London Bankers
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Shanghai Interest Allowed on current taal accounts and fixed deposits, according to arrangement.

E. J. HERBOMEL,
Agent.

Chung Foo Union Bank

(Established in 1916)

Subscribed Capital $2,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital $1,500,000.00
Reserve Fund $200,000.00

SHANGHAI BRANCH
37 Jinkee Road
Telegraphic Address "CHUNGFOO"
Telephone Numbers ... C. 1929 Manager's Office.
C. 6468)
C. 6469) General Office.
C. 6470)
C. 5620 T. T. Department.

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TIENTSIN	Changsha	Hsuchow	Shasi
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CANTON	Hangchow	Pengpu	Yangchow
CHANGCHUN	Hongkong	Shaoshing	

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Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits in taels, dollars, and other currencies according to arrangement. Savings Deposits taken. All kinds of Trust Business undertaken.
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Y. B. Sun, Manager,
T. D. Zar, Sub-Manager.

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Capital paid up $2,500,000.00
Reserve ... ... $ 470,000.00

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits. Credits granted on approved securities.

K. P. CHEN,
General Manager.

The National Commercial Bank, Ltd.

Established 1907.

Capital Fully Paid Up $2,500,000.00
Reserved Fund $850,828.80
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Telephones: General Office Cen. 2613, 2614 and 2615.
Foreign Exchange Dept. C. 7413.
Branches: Hangchow, Hankow, Peking, Tientsin, Mukden, Harbin.
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Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits in Taels, Dollars, Gold Dollars, and Yen.
Interest allowed on Deposit at call both in Taels and Dollars according to arrangement.
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Interest allowed on current deposits and fixed deposits.
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R. CHENG,
Manager.

Commercial Bank of China

Head Office: SHANGHAI.

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Subscribed Capital ...	5,000,000
Paid-Up Capital	2,500,000

Advances made on approved securities. Bills discounted.
Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent per annum on daily balance, On fixed deposits:—
For 3 months at 3% per annum.
For 6 months at 4% per annum.
For 12 months at 5% per annum.
On deposits in Dollars according to arrangement.

H. C. MARSHALL,
Chief Manager.

SINO-ITALIAN BANK

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Aut. Cap. Gold It. Lire 16,000,000
Paid up Capital ..Silver $1,200,000
Paid up Cap. Gold It. Lire 4,000,000
Reserves ..... Silver $150,000
Head Office: Shanghai.
Branches:
Hankow, Peking, S'hai, Tientsin.
Bankers:
Italy: Credito Italiano.
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BENJAMIN AND POTTS SHARE LIST

Yesterday's Closed

Stock	Closing Quotations
Banks	
H. K. and S. B.	H.$1,040 B.
Chartered	£19¼ S.
Russo-Asiatic	Nom
Marine Insurance	
Canton	H.$690 B.
North China	Tls. 138
Union of Canton	H.$236 B.
Yangtsze	H.$25½ B.
Far Eastern Ins.	Tls. 22
Fire Insurance	
China Fire	H.$136 B.
Hongkong Fire	H.$510 B.
Shipping	
Indo-China Def.	H.$142½
Indo-China Pref.	H. $28¼ B, 77/6
"Shell"	
S'hai Tug ord.	Tls. 80
S'hai Tug Pref.	Tls. 53
Mining	
Kaiping	Tls. 21¼
Oriental Cons.	12/-
Raub	$5.20 B.
Docks	
Hongkong Dock	H.$151
Shanghai Dock	Tls. 91
New, Eng. Works	Tls. 6.40 B
" Pref.	Tls. 5.20
Wharves	
Shanghai Wharf	Tls. 175 B.
Hongkong Wharf	H.$153 S.
Lands and Hotels	
S'hai Hotel, Ltd.	$45 B.
S'hai Realty ord.	Tls. 50
China Realty Pref.	Tls. 50
A.-French Land.	Tls. 120
Shanghai Land.	Tls. 122½
Carlton Ltd.	Tls. 53
Cotton Mills	
E-wo (ord.)	Tls. 11.90B.
E-wo (pref.)	Tls. 113 B.
Laou-kung-mow	Tls. 10
Oriental	Tls. 5.30
Shanghai Cotton.	Old 76 New 51
Industrials	
Sutler Tiles	Tls. 25
China Sugar	$246 B.
Green Island	Tls. 26¼ B.
Langkats	Tls. 34 B.
Major Bros.	Tls. 5
S'hai Sumatra	Tls. 90
Stores	
Hall and Holts	Tls. 6.90 B.
Llewelyn	Tls. 35 B.
Lane Crawford	Tls. 104 B.
Mourtrie	$70
Watson	H.$22½ B.
Weeks	$11 S.
Rubbers (local)	
Alma	Tls. 6¾ x d
Amherst	Tls. 0.50 S.
Anglo-Java	Tls. 7
Anglo-Dutch	Tls. 2.80 B.
Iyer Tawah	Tls. 23
Batu Anam 1913	Tls. 1 B.
Bute	Tls. 0.70 B.
Bukit Toh Alang	Tls. 1.10 B
Chemor United	Tls. 1.05
Chempedak	Tls. 7
Cheng	Tls. 1.40 B.
Consolidated	Tls. 2.85 S.
Dominion	Tls. 2.35
Gula Kalumpong	Tls. 8½ B.
Java Consolidated	Tls. 14
Kapaying	Tls. 12
Karan	Tls. 7
Kedah	Tls. 1.15 B.
Koth Bahroe	Tls. 1.05 B.
Kroewoek Java	Tls. 16
Padang	Tls. 6½
Pengkalan Durian	Tls. 1.32½
Permata	Tls. 3 B.
Repah	Tls. 0.90 B.
Samagagas	Tls. 0.85 B.
Seekees	Tls. 1 B.
Semambu	Tls. 1.35 B.
Senawang	Tls. 1.12½
S'hai Klebang	Tls. 0.62½ B
Shanghai Malay	Tls. 4¾ S.
S'hai Malay pref.	Tls. 9
Shanghai Pahang	Tls. 0.92½ B.
Sungala	Tls. 1.40 B.
Sungei Duri	Tls. 3¾ S.
Sua Manggis	Tls. 8 B.
S'hai Seremban	Tls. 0.70 B.
Taiping	Tls. 0.65 B.
Tanah Merah	Tls. 0.75 B.
Tebong	Tls. 1.40 B.
Ziangbes	Tls. 3.35 B.
Miscellaneous	
C. I. & E. Lumber	Tls. 325
Culty Dairy	Tls. 13
Shanghai Trams.	Tls. 176½
Shanghai Gas	Tls. 44 B.
Horse Bazaar	Tls. 50 B.
S'hai Mercury	Tls. 20 B.
S'hai Telephone	Tls. 73 S.
S'hai Waterworks	Tls. 171

S. Sellers, Ss. Sales, B. Buyers

Passengers Arrived

Per C.M. s.s. Hsin Kiangteen from Ningpo: Miss Bursell, Mrs. J. Shearer, Messrs. M. P. Cheng, E. H. Lewis, L. Shodart, B. M. Gawing.

Per T.K.K. s.s. Taiyo Maru from Hongkong: Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Black, Messrs. A. Carpi, S. S. Chellaram, F. Gestreaud, G. J. Gardner, Mrs. C. Haas, Mr. R. McDermied, Mrs. A. A. Prestorn. For San Francisco: Mrs. B. E. Colwell, Mr. R. Livingstone, Mrs. N. M. Moller. Miss G. K. Peterson, Mr. A. R. Wild; for Honolulu: Miss F. M. Poole.

Per B. F. ss. Patrocius from United Kiangdom, etc:—V. Alabaster. Mrs. Reid Anderson, Mr. H. F. Buchanan. Miss B. M. Burt, Mr. T. H. Rutler, Mr. N. S. Brown, Lt. Col. and Mrs. J. C. Brywn. Mr. L. Charlesworth, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Cain, Miss A. E. Cain, Miss M. Cook, Mr. F. S. Crawford, Miss J. Cubban, Sir Hugo and Lady Cunliffe Owen, Capt. and Mrs. J. Dewar, Mrs. Gordron Dewar, Master J. G. Dewar, Miss J. B. Dewar, Mr. Th. Ehlers,

Passengers Departed

Per C.N. s.s. Szechuen for Swatow: Mr. J. H. R. Hance; for Hongkong: Dr. and Mrs. Rummel and child; from Canton: Mr. G. Cressy.

Per C.N. s.s. Tungting for Hankow: Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Galloway.

Per I-C. s.s. Tuckwo for Wuhu: Mr. A. G. Wallas; for Kiukiang: Miss Duff; for Hongkong: Mr. Lester, Mr. and Mrs. Massen.

Steamers Departed

December 18

Kiangwah for Hankow
Whangpu for Hankow
Suiwo for Hankow
Tunkwah for Dairen
Szechuen for S. H. Canton
Shanghai Maru for Japan
West O'Rowa for Portland
Benarty for Yokohama
Dakar Maru for Hamburg
Tungus for Foochow
Tsangtah 2 for Hankow
Tongan for Dairen
Lungshun for Tientsin
Yungshin for Ningpo
Hsin Kiangteen for Ningpo

Financial And Commercial News

Money Exchange

Shanghai, December 18, 1923

Mex. Dollar market rate 72.125
Native Interest 35
Copper Cash 251.500
Shanghai Gold Bar 317.70
Bar Silver 33⅝
Bank rate of Discount 4%
Paris on London 82.75
New York on London ... 437⅝
London—
Telegraph Transfer ... 3/4
Demand 3/4⅛
New York—
Telegraphic Transfer ... 73
Demand 73¼

OPENING RATES
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank
Opening quotations 9:30 a.m.
BANKS SELLING RATES

London T.T. 3/4
London Demand 3/4⅛
London 4 m-s. 3/4¼
India T.T. 234
France T.T. 1375
America T.T. 73
Hongkong T.T. 70¾
Japan T.T. 64½
Batavia T.T. 197
Straits T.T. 70½

BANKS BUYING RATES

London 4 m-s. Credits.... 3/6
London 4 m-s. Docts ... 3/6¼
London 6 m-s. Credits ... 3/6⅝
London 6 m-s. Docts ..... —
France 4 m-s. 1455
America 4 m-s. L/c. 75¾
Docs. 76¼

Gold Dollars: Bank Buying Rate:
@ 74¼ = Tls. 134.68
@ exch. 72.4 = Mex. $186.02
Sovereign: Bank Buying Rate
@ 3s. 5d. = Tls. 5.85
@ exch. 72.4 = Mex. $8.08

CUSTOMS HOUSE EXCHANGE RATES FOR DECEMBER

Hk. Tls. 5.61 @ 3/2⅝ £1
Hk. Tls. 1.28 @ 70⅝ Gold $1
Hk. Tls. 1 @ 1260½ Fr. 14.01
Hk. Tls. 1 @ — Marks —
Hk. Tls. 1 @ 69¼ Yen 1.60
Hk. Tls. 1 @ 225⅝ Rupees 2.51
Hk. Tls. 1 @ — Roubles —
Hk. Tls. 1 @ 1.50 Mex. $1.50
Hk. Tls. 1 @ 15⅞ Ital. Lire 17.68

International Banking Corporation
CLOSING COUNTER RATES

Demand selling on America 73
Demand buying on America 74¼
Demand selling on London 3/4¼
Demand buying on London 3/5

Exchange Fluctuations

Asia Banking Corporation

December 18, 1923

Spot and forward bar silver were each unchanged in London yesterday. The New York price advanced to 65⅞ cents and the London-New York cross rate declined to 437¾.

Our official quotations here today were unchanged from yesterday and our market while less firm than yesterday, particularly for near delivery, was on the whole steady.

There were sellers of Sterling at 3s. 4⅝d. for near delivery, 3s. 4⅝d. for December and 3s. 3½d. January.

There were sellers of Gold Dollars at 74 for near delivery, 73½ for December and 72⅛ for January. There were sellers of Yen at 63¼ for near delivery, 63½ December delivery and 64¾ for January.

Banks were quoting 3s. 5¼d. and 75¼ for Sterling and Gold Dollar bills for near delivery. For January there were buyers at 3s. 4¼d. and 74 and for forward deliveries buyers at 3s. 3¼d. and 73.

There were buyers of Franc bills at 1425 for near delivery and 1400 for forward.

China sold silver in London yesterday and India bought, the market closing steady. New York report their market as firm.

ROUBLE EXCHANGE
BANK'S BUYING RATE

Roobles 575,000 ..... Taels 100
Roobles 100 ..... Mex. $0.03

SINO-ITALIAN BANK
Bank's Selling Rates

It. Lire 16.65 = 1 Tael
Swiss Frs. 4.17 = 1 Tael
It. Lire 10.45 = 1 Yen

Chinese Government Bonds
(Supplied by Sing Tung & Co.)

	Monday.	Yesterday's.
3rd Year 6%	94.00	94.00
5th Year 6%	55.00	56.00
7th Year 6%	48.40	48.40
9th Year 6%	72.00	73.00
6% Consolidated	51.00	50.70
7% Consolidated	56.50	58.00
11th Year 8%	97.00	97.00
96 Millions 8%	14.10	14.10

Stock Exchange

Transactions

Today's Quotations
Shanghai, December 18, 1923
OFFICIAL
Tebongs Tls. 1.40
Semambus Tls. 1.35
Ziangbee Tls. 3.35
Tls. 3.40
Tls. 3.45
Chemors Tls. 1.07½
UNOFFICIAL
Langkats Comb. Tls. 34.25 Dec.
Semambus Tls. 1.40
Kedah Tls. 1.25
Tanah Merah Tls. 0.75
Anglo Javas Tls. 6.50, 6.75

Shanghai Sharebrokers Association

Business Done

Shanghai, December 18, 1923
OFFICIAL
Langkats Comb. Tls. 36.50 March
Anglo Javas Tls. 6.65
Tls. 6.60
Tanah Merahs Tls. 0.75
Senawangs Tls. 1.05
Bukits Tls. 1.10
Chemors Tls. 1.10
UNOFFICIAL
Ziangbes Tls. 3.40
Batu Anams Tls. 1.05

Dairy Manager Is Given Two Weeks For Watering Milk

For distributing milk found to contain 27.6 percent of added water, Woo Yih-kyi, manager of the Baikal Dairy, was sentenced to two weeks' imprisonment by the Mixed Court yesterday. Health Department officials pressed the prosecution, stating that the man charged was not the actual licensee of the place but that he had been previously and was now in charge of the dairy. The accused pleaded that if the milk had been adulterated it must have been treated by delivery coolies after the product had left the establishment. The Health Department Inspectors declared, however, that the bottles were sealed when seized and that the sealing must have been done in the dairy.

Hold Ceremony Here As Coffin Of Mme. Lu Is Placed In State

The remains of the late Madame Lu Hsia-ez, wife of the Director of Military Rehabilitation of Chekiang, were brought to Shanghai and placed in the Shantung Guild yesterday. The cortege left the railway station at Hsin Lung Hua shortly after three o'clock with great pomp and ceremony, the local militia and constabulary participating. Contrary to local Chinese newspaper prediction, General Lu did not come to Shanghai but returned to his yamen after seeing the funeral train off at the Hangchow station at 10 o'clock in the morning.

After the coffin was placed in state, a memorial service, with General Ho Feng-lin, Military Governor of Shanghai and Woosung participating, was held. Practically the entire Chinese local officialdom and leading merchants attended the ceremony.

Parisien To Have Marathon Ball

The Parisien Hotel has announced that a Marathon Ball will be given at the popular cafe on next Saturday evening. Three beautiful prizes to be given contestants are now on view in the hotel lobby, and contestants are requested to send their names in now. In addition to the dancing feature Paoli, the barkone, will sing, and the "Four Clever Flappers" will be on the entertainment program.

Rail Guard Chief Takes Up Duties

(Eastern News Agency)

Peking, Dec. 18.—General Tang Tsai-li, Tupan of railway guards, who has long been hesitant to take up his post, finally assumed the office on the 14th instant. The question of the organization of the railway defence force and that of the competence of the Tupan of railway guards, however, still remain unsettled.

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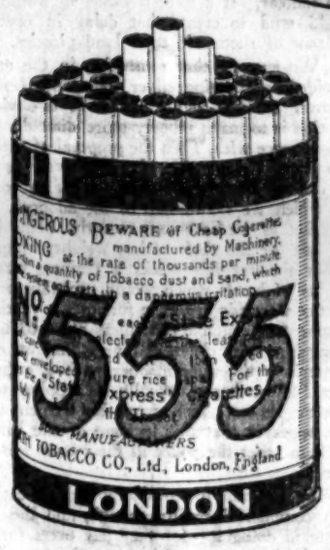

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Dr. C. T. Wang's Mission To Japan

DR. WANG CHENG-TING, or as he is popularly known in Shanghai, Dr. C. T. Wang, is now in Japan at the head of a mission, the purpose of which according to public announcement at Peking, is to investigate the murder of a number of Chinese citizens following the earthquake and fire. The number of Chinese who were killed in the disgraceful rioting following the Japanese disaster has never been accurately told. Reports in Peking place the number at 170 while the Chinese Legation in Tokio, according to a report published in the *Osaka Asahi*, claims those killed include 17 students, 26 tradesmen and 25 laborers making 68 in all. The same paper places the responsibility for the uncertainty regarding the number killed upon the dilitory policy of the Japanese Government which has never issued an official report upon this strange manifestation of outlawry which developed following the earthquake. The Chinese of course were not the only sufferers, for the American newspaper correspondents, who were in Tokio during and immediately following the disaster stated that between 1,500 and 2,000 Koreans were also killed by the gangs of young Japanese "Vigilantes" who roamed about the ruins murdering people for several days without any interference from either the police or the military.

The Japanese newspapers have had a great deal to say regarding the Chinese Mission headed by Dr. Wang, one of the most interesting of which attempts to excuse the unfortunate killings of Chinese on the ground that in the excitement the Chinese were mistaken for Koreans. The *Japan Chronicle*, the British paper at Kobe in commenting on this phase of the matter said,

"Not the least awkward feature of the business is the plea that authority was temporarily in abeyance only suggests the reply that when authority has been temporarily in abeyance in China that has been regarded merely as an aggravation of the offence. As for the plea that the Chinese were killed, indeed, but by mistake rather than in malice, this tends to exacerbate Korean feelings, especially when the Koreans contrast the diplomatic concerns felt about the Chinese and the proposals to pay adequate compensation with the apparent indifference to their own case." Also it is interesting to note in passing, that the issue of the *Japan Chronicle* containing the above comment as well as translations from the Japanese newspapers on the subject was suppressed by the Kobe police.

The above publicly announced purpose of Dr. Wang's mission to Japan is most interesting, but both the Chinese newspapers in Peking and also the Japanese press hint at another purpose for his presence in Tokio which is of even greater international significance. This other purpose, regarding which absolutely nothing has been said officially by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at Peking has to do with the question of Russian recognition by both China and Japan. Dr. C. T. Wang it will be remembered has been for several months at the head of the so-called Sino-Russian Bureau, a body created by the Peking Cabinet under the auspices of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for the purpose of conducting negotiations with Mr. Karakhan, the head of the diplomatic mission from Moscow who is now in the Chinese capital. Although Dr. Wang and Mr. Karakhan have been holding "conversations" on the subject of Sino-Russian relations for many weeks nothing authoritative has been announced regarding the results. Unofficial reports have been issued by the respective delegations to the effect that Karakhan refused to continue the negotiations unless China would first officially recognise Soviet Russia and China on her side refused to discuss "recognition" until various outstanding questions such as the status of Mongolia, the Chinese-Eastern Railway and other matters were first settled. None of these reports have been convincing and there is a feeling in certain circles in North China that the Chinese and Russians have gotten together on several points, but that China hesitates to make the results public on account of the fear of unfavorable reaction abroad especially in Great Britain, France and the United States—and Japan—the latter being perhaps the most important of all owing to the complications existing in the relations of China and Japan in respect to many of the same problems outstanding between China and Russia.

This makes it appear all the more plausible that Dr. Wang's real purpose in visiting Japan at this time is to try to smoothe the way for a general Chinese-Japanese-Russian understanding. Upon his arrival in Japan, Dr. Wang was interviewed by the Osaka Mainichi on the subject of the Sino-Russian negotiations and in this connection said:

"The relations between China and Russia were such that the Conference must, sooner or later, result in success. But like litigation in court, diplomacy is always slow machinery. . . . I am very much interested in what attitude Japan will assume in regard to her own conference with Russia, which, for some reason or other failed in the past. Japan and China have many common interests concerned in their relations with Russia. In fact, they are just like a set of wheels in regard to Russian problems. The failure of one of them in her conference with Russia will vitally affect the interests of the other. On the other hand if one succeeds in her conference with Russia, that will prove beneficial to the welfare of the other. . . . The Chinese Government is not so nervous about the question of recognising Soviet Russia as some other countries. In China, two great statesmen in the past carried out the peculiar theory of state government similar to that of the present Soviet Russia. One tried it for seven years and the other for about 30 years. But both of them failed. The people of China all know about this, and so the formal recognition of the Soviet Government by the Chinese Government would not have any detrimental effect upon China, so far as the thoughts of her people were concerned."

The above statement by Dr. Wang is very significant in view of the preceding circumstances and makes his mission to Japan of exceedingly great international significance and the attitude of the other powers in this connection will also be worth watching. Dr. Wang first earned for himself an international reputation as a diplomat at the Paris Conference when he took the lead in opposing the Shantung award as covered in the Versailles treaty. He went to Paris as a member of the Kuomingtang but upon his return home he soon affiliated with Peking and has held various positions there, probably the most important being the part he took in settling up the final return of Shantung to China in accordance with the terms agreed upon between the Chinese and Japanese delegates at the Washington Conference. The Japanese used to look upon him as the ring leader of the anti-Japanese elements in China but are supposed to have modified their opinion since the successful conclusion of the Sino-Japanese negotiations over Shantung.

Wisdom Of The Bankers

IT is with a certain amount of gratification that we notice in the Chinese press that the native banks have decided to take steps to assist the police authorities in meeting the menace of armed and daylight robberies. It is a striking commentary on the progress of Shanghai that besides embracing many of the virtues of large cities it is rapidly developing their vices—one of which is indicated by the substantial increase of crimes against valuables in transit through the settlement. It was only a very few years ago that banks could send out a convoy of wheelbarrows laden with bullion or specie and be perfectly certain that it would reach its destination intact, but the advent of the motor car and the possibilities thus presented of being able to get away with large quantities of heavy valuables in quick time has been recognised by some of the more enterprising of our criminals, with the result that new measures have to be devised to meet their depredations.

The incidence of one or two such cases aroused considerable protest amongst the Chinese who were only too ready to lay the fault at the doors of the authorities, failing to recognise that they themselves had failed to take those elementary precautions which would best safeguard their property. The Municipal Council pointed this out, and we had the privilege of making suggestions which we are glad to note the native bankers either are following or have independently conceived. To take a box of bullion off a laden wheelbarrow, or a few bars of silver, and place them in an automobile, does not appear on the face of it to be remarkably difficult, and the speed of the machine would enable the robbers in most instances to get clear away, before any effective alarm could be raised. But it is entirely a different matter if those purloining the valuables have to lift wheelbarrow and all into the car. If it were possible, it would not be too easy and would tend to create that delay in operations which strikes at the root of success in these land piracies.

We suggest that something in the nature of cages might be provided for housing silver bars while being transported on wheelbarrows through our streets. It is obvious that the first consideration is to make robbery more difficult, an effective deterrent to commence with. Then the proposal of the native bankers that two men should escort the wheelbarrows, one openly and the other in the discreet distance to raise the alarm on the police whistle, is one which we would like to see adopted.

But as we have seen recently, plans have been laid and carried out for the theft of less weighty valuables than silver. Only within the last few weeks a Chinese was robbed of an imposing number of bonds which would probably never have occurred if the practice were adopted as in foreign countries, of enclosing these documents in suitable containers attached to the bearer's body by a strong but light chain, and providing an escort for the messenger in precisely the same manner as it is suggested for the wheelbarrows. Short then of actually kidnapping the messenger, or being able to separate him from his burden, which again takes time, it is apparent that this increase of the bandits difficulties will do much to assist the police in their true function—the supression of crime.

It is a cause for considerable gratification that the Chinese who complained readily enough, and they were well within their rights in doing so—for they pay taxes for protection against this sort of thing—were quick to see the council's point that they themselves would have to do more towards the protection of their property. And we hope that the suggestions of the native bankers will be carried into effect as quickly as possible. Our police have already as much as they can possibly handle in this large and growing International Settlement and the efficiency which they show in chasing offenders to capture, indicates that they are doing just about as much as they possibly can. And while it is so often stated that their mission is rather prevention than punishment of crime, it is increasingly apparent in places like Shanghai, that the duty of everyone is to use that requisite amount of common sense which the police can never completely exercise for them.

:-: The Spectator :-:

The Trouble-Makers

When the first members of the sect called Christian began to get busy in the Roman Empire, shortly after the death of the Founder of their religion, one of the authorities in a certain place their activities had reached exclaimed, "They that turn the world upside down have come hither also."

This makes somewhat curious reading when now in all the countries where Christianity is predominant it is commonly understood to be a force for conservatism and a guarantee that established conditions will not be rudely upset.

The fact is, however, that the root idea of Christianity is automatically, inevitably and everlastingly a root of disturbance.

The reason of this is that social conditions which the people feel to be permanent are almost always organised upon the idea that some men are better than others, some are born to be beasts of burden and others to be their drivers. Nations have always drifted into some sort of solidarity based upon caste. About the only peace that men have felt disposed to rely upon has been a peace consisting of one class giving orders and another class obeying them.

This was the solidity of the ancient regime in old Europe; it underlay the power of the Czar and underlies equally the present rule of the Bolsheviki; it is the supposed security of Japan, of China and of India, just as it was of the German Empire under the Kaiser.

No matter now deeply Christianity gets into the rut of tradition it cannot escape the ideas of its Founder, which have been preserved for us in the Gospels. And there we find that most subversive of all ideas, the doctrine that one man is as good as another in the eyes of heaven, and that kings and lords and all the high and mighty must stand equally before the Judgment Seat, with the slave and the peasant and "give an account for the deeds done in the body."

This whole idea is connoted in the use of the word "soul." That means that every human being is a spirit and a citizen of that republic of spirits under which every one has equal rights.

It was this idea that by and by destroyed the institution of human slavery, whose walls and foundations were built firmly upon economic interests, picturesque sentiment and long tradition.

It is this same idea that lies at the core of democracy everywhere. It created the republics of America and of France, it was responsible for the rise of constitutional government in such monarchies as Great Britain and Japan, and it is the actual leaven at present at work in China and in India.

The value of Christianity is not so much its superiority as a system of worship over rival systems, its value is in its constant product of heresy.

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EXCERPTS FROM GREAT THINKERS

By Mathy

THE MORAL ORDER

One of the most painful riddles of life is presented by the moral confusion which pervades society; the apparent escape of evildoers, the apparent failure of those who strive to do well. This is the aspect of the mystery of evil which most sorely perplexes men and presents the greatest obstacle to faith. "How can sin go unpunished under the government of a righteous God?" is a question which has been put in many languages by multitudes of men since the beginning of time. The more deeply men have loved goodness and the more passionately they have searched for God, the more keenly have they felt the dissonance between the idea of God as it lay reflected in their own souls and the distorted image of God reflected in the disorder of the world.

This perplexity and pain which the lack of harmony between a divine ideal of righteousness and the condition of society has brought to the most sensitive spirits is itself one of the evidences of the divine birth of the soul. The instinctive feeling that a righteous society in a righteous world is inevitable if there be a righteous God, and that the apparent prosperity of evil in the world is at variance with the existence of such a God, evidence the presence of ideals in the soul which are not born amid human conditions. So long as evil remains, men ought to feel perplexed and unhappy, because between the thought of God and the presence of evil there is a deep gulf fixed.

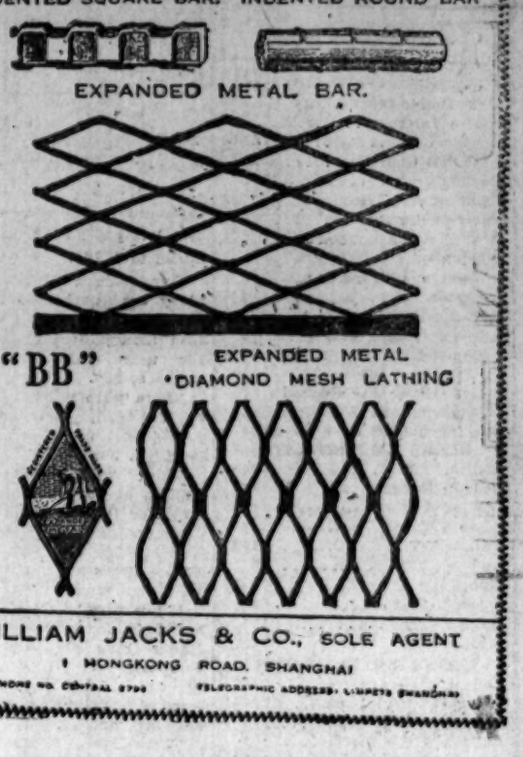
But there is a radical distinction, often overlooked, between moral confusion and moral anarchy. The two are constantly confused, and yet they are very different in nature and in fact. Some men are in the habit of assuming that because there is disorder in society there is no execution of moral law, and consequently no evidence of the presence of God in the affairs of life, sensitive spirits are often driven to something like despair by the apparent impunity of those who do evil. There is a pessimism abroad which teaches the doctrine of moral indifference. "Avoid evil," it says, "because evil is vulgar, ill-bred, and unbecoming; but do not look for its punishment in others. The easy road to success is through some form of respectable fraud. They who do good and good only will have the approval of their consciences, but they need expect nothing else. To become rich one must be grasping; to gain popularity one must flatter and lie; to secure recognition one must study how to please rather than how to give one's power the most genuine and noble expression."

This philosophy so readily accepted by those who look at the surface and do not penetrate the depths, would be true if there were no God. It is a very superficial form of atheism; and it evaporates like a mist the moment one sees the problem clearly and sees it in its entirety. The riddle of the existence of evil will never be solved in this stage of life, although there are many side-lights which suggest that its darkness is impenetrable only from our present point of view; but the riddle of the impunity of the violator of the moral law is a riddle in appearance only, and ceases to perplex the moment the confusions of traditional thinking on the subject are cleared away.

Editorial Comments

It is an irony that the Lancashire textile industry should be dependent to such a large extent upon the United States for its cotton supplies. Recently the movement has spread to extend cotton growing in the British Dominions. The British Cotton Growing Association was established nearly twenty years ago. Throughout that time its work has not received the financial support from Lancashire which might have been expected. If this problem of raw cotton supplies had been faced by Lancashire spinners in a proper manner ten or twelve years ago the industry in England would not have found itself in such an awkward situation as it finds itself today.

The most interesting development is the growing of cotton in Australia and Africa, where much headway is being made. The plight of the textile mills in China resembles in many respects that in Lancashire at present. The mills here find that realisation on the indigenous staple would land them in disaster. So for some years past large importations of mid-Americans and Indians have been resorted to. As the Lancashire cotton mills are encouraging the cultivation of the staple in other parts of the British Empire, the Chinese cotton mills should likewise stimulate production within their own country. There are vast areas very suitable for the cultivation of cotton in China, and some sort of encouragement should be given the farmers to go in for this on a large scale. Big attempts, however, are being made by the Cotton Millowners' Association in China and also the Chinese Cotton Millowners' Association to improve the quality of cotton grown, and if with this some sort of plan to increase production could be worked out the result should prove admirable from the textile industry's point of view.



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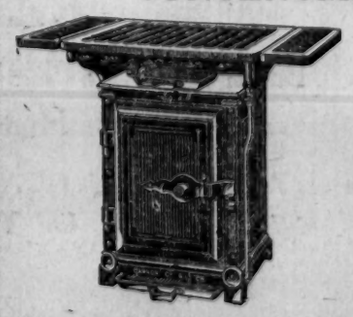
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Christmas Stories By Shanghai Children

A Christmas Story

BY GALEE POLIS
(Age 13 Years)

In the North of China, in one of the most deserted parts of Kuen-Lun Mountains now deeply covered with snow, an old musk-deer was wandering, seeking for some food which was very difficult to find at this time of year. Suddenly as it ran up the snow covered hill, it was stopped by a small wooden hut, so buried in snow that the musk-deer did not notice it at first, but stopped just in time not to run into a window, from which a ray of light, like a tiny path, lay on the snow, changing it into thousands of sparkling diamonds. The musk-deer stopped and peeped through the window. It saw a quiet picture. In a small, roughly furnished, but very neat and inviting room, a merry fire sparkled in a fireplace, now and then casting a ray of light on the faces of two men that sat beside it.

One was that of a very old man with a long white beard and hair. His eyes were dim and half shut, his chin rested on his elbow, he seemed to remember, to look back into the past years which alas, will never return. How long ago it seems, since he came here, young, full of life and good purposes. He left his home, his country, all that was so dear to him, he left it forever. And what had he gained by this sacrifice? On the last days of his life to be left alone in this deserted country, never able to see a white man again, to be buried among strangers in this foreign land, so far from those he loved. But he had done his duty in life. He had carried out the work God appointed him to the end. The old man's face brightened as he raised his head and looked on a figure sitting beside him. Is not this his reward? Had he not made a man out of a savage, and won his love so that now when he was too old, too weak, he had even in this country somebody to care for him, to shut his eyes after the death, to carry on the work he had begun.

The fire brightened and a ray of light fell on the face which till now was in the shade. It was a face of a young Chinese boy. Very young indeed, not more than sixteen, very honest and very brave. He did not have much to remember. He saw himself as a hungry, undressed and very often beaten boy, wandering in these mountains. Then he was pushed by someone, and fell way down . . . to find himself in this very room on a warm, soft bed with a kind old man to nurse him, and to tell of a better life, where there was no wickedness, no sadness, but love and everlasting happiness. Finally he was strong enough to go back, to a place where wickedness and lie reigned, where people did not know what God is, where he was taught to hate and not to love. So he stayed and since then the old man and the boy lived together.

Soon the boy was able to do all the work of the little hut, and in the evenings the old man would take a great, old book called the Bible and read over and over again the wonderful story of the Son. How the boy loved these quiet evening hours, after a busy day of hunting in the mountains when he came home with a large wild-goat, tired but happy. The last few days however good luck had left him and in vain he wandered in hope of finding a small animal with which he could appease his hunger. There was only a small piece of meat in the house for the old man's supper and then . . .

The boy suddenly rose, took his gun and ran out into the cold, bright night. But the musk-deer heard him coming and ran swiftly towards its home in the valley. Alas; it was too careless. Strong, iron claws caught it by the foot and in vain it struggled till the white snow became red with its blood. The boy was near. He gave a shriek of delight and raised his gun to fire. . . . But a thought swifter than lightning crossed his mind. His face brightened, his gun was thrown aside and the astonished animal felt itself free once more.

For a moment it stood still as if not understanding, then sprang up and in a moment disappeared in a neighboring valley where was its home, to tell its family how good a creature called a man could be. The boy with slow footsteps bounded towards the hut, smiling happily. The night was quiet and solemn, and the stars seemed to brighten at the good deed done on Christmas night, the night when love was first born upon earth.

With The Bandits

BY JULIA NICHOLS
(Aged 14 years)

Sze Kwe was fourteen years old. She lived with her mother in a Chinese village way off in the northern part of China. They were quite rich, but gave freely to the poor and everyone loved them.

This village in which Sze Kwe and her mother lived was frequently visited by bandits. They would come very often and carry off a person or two, to act as slaves to them.

One cold night in March when Sze Kwe was sitting by the fire sewing, she heard loud knocks on the door. People very seldom came to see them at night and she wondered who it could be. Then the word "bandits" entered her head. She stood rooted to the spot. The knocks increased in violence and threatened to knock the door down. She ran to the window and looked out. There she saw a dozen or more harsh and rough looking men pounding on the door. There was no way to escape. Then the thought of her mother came into her head. She must be warned and saved if possible. She ran to her mother's room and told her in as few words as possible what had happened, then she dashed from the room. She had barely time to shut the door when "crash!" the door gave away. Half a dozen men entered with guns and swords.

They grabbed her harshly and pushed her to the door and told her to get on a donkey that was standing in front of the house.

They rode on for what seemed hours to Sze Kwe and at length stopped at a small village in a valley. Here she was ordered to dismount which she did.

There were women, who were evidently the wives of the bandits, and crying children. Most of the children stopped crying when they saw Sze Kwe. They had never seen anything quite like her before, for the other captives that their fathers brought home were not very wealthy whereas Sze Kwe was.

They all looked at her and laughed. This made her feel very lonely and she wondered what her mother was doing then.

Her bed was a heap of straw, outside in a sort of dog shed, but luckily she had on warm clothes and also an extra coat she had grabbed. In spite or her uncomfortable bed she went right to sleep.

It didn't seem no very long before she felt herself being shaken, and woke up to find a woman by her side. She was told very roughly to prepare the breakfast. Poor Sze Kwe had never had a chance to learn how to cook because her family had always been rich enough to have a servant and the cooking was left to her.

One of the women seemed kinder than the rest, and gave her a few hints about how it should be done, and she managed somehow.

At lunch time the same thing happened, and at supper too. The result was that she was made to prepare all the meals.

One morning, after Sze Kwe had been with the bandits about six weeks, there was a big hullabaloo in the village. She heard cries of "a foreigner, a foreigner." She ran out to see what the captive, who was an American woman, looked like for she had never seen one before. Sze Kwe found out from some of the village people that the bandits had captured her, and were going to hold her for ransom.

Sze Kwe, became very friendly with Miss Grey, for that was the captive's name, and found out that Miss Grey could talk Chinese very well. She told Sze Kwe how she came to be captured by the bandits.

"I am a nurse," said Miss Grey, "and I was traveling from Peking to a small village about fifty miles off to help some poor, sick Chinese. I was riding along peacefully in my chair when all at once I heard rifle shots, and my back chair man fell to the ground, and I with him. He must have been shot for in a few seconds a dozen men pounced on me and put me on a donkey by the roadside. Then they brought me here."

Miss Grey taught Sze Kwe some English for she had many spare moments.

One day Miss Grey remarked to Sze Kwe that she wendered if they would ever get out, for she didn't want to stay there for Christmas, and if things went on as they had been these last few months, it looked as if they might have to. Sze Kwe wanted to know what Christmas was. Miss Grey explained it all to her and Sze Kwe was very much interested for she had never had a chance to learn about Christmas.

It was the first of December when the joyful day came. Miss Grey and Sze Kwe were preparing breakfast and they heard the bandits shouting. "The troops, the troops run, run." Then the battle began but the troops outnumbered the bandits so greatly that the bandits had little chance. At last they surrendered.

Miss Grey and Sze Kwe were taken immediately to Peking. Miss Grey asked Sze Kwe if she would like to live with her always. She Kwe was delighted but she had not forgotten her mother and told Miss Grey, that if her mother could live with them too she would be the happiest girl living.

Miss Grey made special arrangments and the next day Sze Kwe saw her mother for the first time for almost a year.

Miss Grey, Sze Kwe and her mother spent a very happy Christmas in Peking. Sze Kwe's Mother was given a place in the hospital to work and Sze Kwe went to school.

When she was eighteen she and Miss Grey went to America and Sze Kwe was put in a nursing school.

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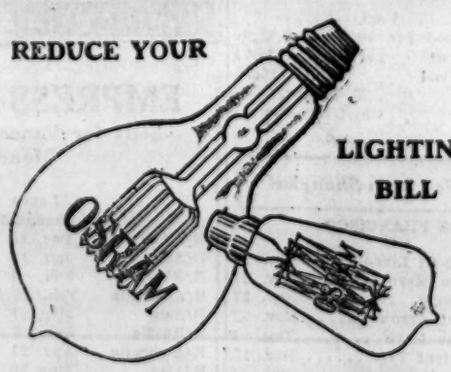

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HANKOW & PORTS.—The St. KIANGYUNG, Capt. Smith, will leave on Wednesday, Dec. 19, at midnight. For Freight or Passage apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Str. KIANGHSIN, Capt. Kornfeldt will leave on Friday, Dec. 21, at midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s S.S. KUTWO 2,664 Tons, Captain Christie, will sail for the above-mentioned ports from Hunt's Wharf on Thursday, December 20 at about midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers. Telephone: Central 241. Extensions for Freight and Passenger Departments.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s S.S. LOONGWO, 3,925 Tons, Captain Holmwood, will sail for the above-mentioned ports from Hunt's Wharf on Friday, December 21, at about midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers. Telephone: Central 241. Extensions for Freight and Passenger Departments.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s S.S. PINGWO, 2,671 Tons, Captain Pellew, will sail for the above-mentioned ports from Hunt's Wharf on Saturday, Dec. 22 at about midnight. For Freight, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON and Co., Ltd., General Managers. Telephone Central 241. Extension to Freight Department.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s S.S. LUENHO, 2,868 tons, Captain Woodget, will sail for the above-mentioned ports from Hunt's Wharf on Monday, December 24, at about midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers. Telephone: Central 241. Extensions for Freight and Passenger Departments.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s S.S. KUNGWO, 4,835 Tons, Captain Gibb, will sail for the above-mentioned ports from Hunt's Wharf on Tuesday, December 25, at about midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers. Telephone: Central 241. Extensions to Freight and Passenger Departments.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Str. KIANGAN, Capt. Ross, will leave on Thursday, Dec. 29, at midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

For Southern Ports

HONGKONG & CANTON.—The Str. KWANGLEE, Capt. Crawford, will leave on Wednesday morning, December 19. For Freight or Passage, apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

NINGPO.—The steamer HSIN KIANGTEEN, Captain Randbye will leave on Thursday, Dec. 20, at 4:30 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

WENCHOW.—The Str. FEI-CHING, Capt. Manley, will leave on Thursday morning, Dec. 20. For Freight or Passage, apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

For Northern Ports

CHEFOO. — The Steamer HSINKONG, Captain Smith, will leave on Wednesday morning, Dec. 19. For Freight or Passage, apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

CHINWANGTAO Direct.—The Kailan Mining Administration will despatch the steamer KAI-PING on December 22, 1923. For Freight or Passage, apply to Agent, 12 The Bund. Tel. C. 317.

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Shipping Items

RIVER PORTS

The I-C. s.s. Kutwo left Hankow on Sunday and is due in Shanghai today.

The C.N. s.s. Tatung left Hankow on Sunday and is due in Shanghai today.

The C.M. s.s. Kianghsin left Hankow on Monday and is due in Shanghai tomorrow.

The I-C. s.s. Loongwo left Hankow on Monday and is due in Shanghai tomorrow.

The C.N. s.s. Nganking left Hankow on Monday and is due in Shanghai tomorrow.

The C.M. s.s. Kiangteen left Hankow yesterday and is due in Shanghai next Friday.

The I-C. s.s. Pingwo left Hankow yesterday and is due in Shanghai next Friday.

The C.N. s.s. Wenchow left Hankow yesterday and is due in Shanghai next Friday.

The C.M. s.s. Kiangshun will leave Hankow today and is due in Shanghai on Saturday.

The I-C. s.s. Luenho will leave Hankow today and is due in Shanghai on Saturday.

The C.N. s.s. Poyang will leave Hankow today and is due in Shanghai on Saturday.

The I-C. s.s. Kungwo will leave Hankow tomorrow and is due in Shanghai on Sunday.

The C.N. s.s. Wuchang will leave Hankow tomorrow and is due in Shanghai on Sunday.

SOUTHERN PORTS

The C.N. s.s. Shantung left Hongkong on Saturday and is due in Shanghai today.

The C.N. s.s. Yingchow left Hongkong on Sunday and is due in Shanghai tomorrow.

The I-C. s.s. Taksang is due in Shanghai from Canton, Hongkong and Swatow this afternoon.

The C.M. s.s. Hsinchi will leave Foochow today and arrives in Shanghai next Friday.

The C.N. s.s. Suiyang left Hongkong on Monday and is due in Shanghai on Friday.

The C.N. s.s. Sunning left Hongkong yesterday and is due in Shanghai next Sunday.

The I-C. s.s. Yatshing is due in Shanghai from Canton, Hongkong and Swatow on Friday afternoon.

The I-C. s.s. Kwongsang left Hongkong yesterday and is due in Shanghai via Swatow next Sunday.

The I-C. s.s. Wosang will leave Hongkong on Friday and is due in Shanghai via Swatow on December 26.

The C.N. s.s. Soochow will leave Hongkong tomorrow and is due in Shanghai on Monday.

NORTHERN PORTS

The C.N. s.s. Fengtien left Tientsin on Sunday and is due in Shanghai via Chefoo and Weihaiwei today.

The I-C. s.s. Waishing is due in Shanghai from Tientsin, Chefoo and Weihaiwei this afternoon.

The C.M. s.s. Hsinming left Tientsin on Monday and is due in Shanghai via Chefoo tomorrow.

The D.K.K. s.s. Saikio Maru arrived in Shanghai from Dairen and Tsingtao yesterday morning, and docked at the Whangpoo Wharf. The steamer will sail for Tsingtao and Dairen at 9 o'clock this morning.

The C.N. s.s. Kashing will leave Tsingtao today and is due in Shanghai on Friday.

The I-C. s.s. Kingsing is due in Shanghai from Tientsin, Chefoo and Weihaiwei next Saturday.

The C.N. s.s. Shuntien will leave Tientsin tomorrow and is due in Shanghai via Chefoo and Weihaiwei on Sunday.

The C.M. s.s. Taishun left Tientsin for Native Customs on Sunday.

The C.M. s.s. Yushun left Chefoo on Monday and arrives in Shanghai today.

The K.M.A. s.s. Kaiping left Chinwangtao on Sunday and arrives in Shanghai today.

The K.M.A. s.s. Kwangping left Chinwangtao on Monday and is due in Shanghai tomorrow.

JAPAN PORTS

The N.Y.K. s.s. Yamashiro Maru is due in Shanghai from Osaka, Kobe and Moji today and docks at the N. Y. K. Mafi Wharf.

The N.Y.K. s.s. Takeshima Maru is due in Shanghai from Yokohama today and docks at the Wayside Wharf.

The N.Y.K. s.s. Nagasaki Maru arrives in Shanghai from Nagasaki tomorrow morning, and docks at the Wayside Wharf. The steamer will sail for the same port at daybreak Friday.

The N.Y.K. s.s.Aso Maru arrives in Shanghai from Yokohama and Nagoya tomorrow, and docks at the Wayside Wharf.

INDIAN LINES

The B.I. s.s. Torilla left Calcutta on Friday, December 7, and is expected in Shanghai via Rangoon and ports about January 2.

The B.I. s.s. Orissa, from Calcutta, left Kobe on Friday afternoon, and arrives in Shanghai at daylight this morning.

The I-C. s.s. Hosang is due in Shanghai from Calcutta, Straits, Hongkong and Amoy tomorrow.

EUROPEAN LINES

The P. and O. s.s. Kashgar left London at 2 p.m. on November 28, and is expected to arrived in Shanghai about January 2.

The P. and O. s.s. Morea was due to leave London on Dec. 7, and is expected to arrive in Shanghai about January 16.

The N.D.L. s.s. Saarbruecken left Port Said on December 10, and is expected in Shanghai on January 8.

The N.D.L. s.s. Schlesien left Medan on December 12 and is due in Shanghai next Monday.

The P. and O. s.s. Karmala is due to leave London next Friday, and arrives in Shanghai about January 30.

The Shire Line s.s. Carnarvonshire, from London, left Hongkong on Sunday evening, and is due in Shanghai tomorrow morning, docking at the China Merchants' Lower Wharf.

The M.M. s.s. Andre Lebon, from Marseilles on November 16 with mail, left Saigon at 11 o'clock Monday morning, and is expected in Shanghai next Sunday.

The M.M. s.s. Chambord arrived in Shanghai from Kobe on Monday morning, and docked at the S.M. R. Whangpoo Wharf. The vessel will sail for Marseilles at 9 o'clock Friday morning, and passengers may embark after seven. Trunks should be delivered to the Company's office before tomorrow noon.

The Glen Line m.v. Glenapp, outbound for Genoa, London, Hull, Rotterdam and Hamburg, left Vladivostok on Monday morning, and is due in Shanghai next Friday, berthing at the Old Dock buoys.

The Blue Funnel s.s. Laomedon left Singapore yesterday, and arrives in Shanghai via Hongkong on December 27.

The P. and O. s.s. Macedonia arrived in Shanghai from London yesterday and berthed at the P. and O. buoys.

AMERICAN LINES

The Adl. O. Line s.s. President Madison was due to leave Seattle last Sunday, and arrives in Shanghai via Japan ports on Jan. 2.

The Adl. O. Line s.s. President Grant from Seattle on December 4, should dock at Yokohama last Sunday, and arrives in Shanghai via Kobe on December 21.

The Columbia Pacific s.s. West Kader arrives in Shanghai from Manila tomorrow, and will sail for Portland via Kobe and Yokohama on Friday.

The P.M. s.s. President Wilson, from San Franisco, left Honolulu last Monday, and is expected in Shanghai via Yokohama and Kobe on December 30.

Steamers Arrived

December 17

Toyei Maru from Japan
Peiching from Wenchow
Taiyo Maru from Hongkong

December 18

Yungshin from Ningpo
Hsin Kiangteen from Ningpo
Yusang from Hongkong
Shengking from Swatow
Saikio Maru from Dairen
Fooshing from Tsingtao
Englee from .....
Yankee Arrow from U. S. A.
Luchow from Hongkong
Hunan from Hongkong
Taisang from Pukow
Macedonia from London
Kiangan from Hankow
Siangyang Maru from Hankow
Iyang Maru from Hankow

Provision Prices In Local Market

Prices quoted are in Mexican dollar cents at Hongkew Market compiled on December 18th, 1923.

Butcher's Meat		
Beef	per lb.	16-30
Mutton	,,	18-30
Pork	,,	30-40
Veal	,,	24-35
Fish		
Bream	per lb.	25-30
Cod	,,	18-20
Mandarin	,,	30-40
Mackerel	,,	30-40
Pomfret	,,	25-30
Salmon	,,	20-25
Samli	,,	none
Soles	,,	20-25
Whitebait	,,	20-25
Game Poultry and Eggs		
Deer	each	$2.50-$3.00
Eggs	per doz.	25-30
Fowl	per lb.	20-30
Hare	each	35-40
Partridge	,,	40-50
Pheasant	,,	80-$1.00
Geese	,,	$1.20-$1.50
Plover	,,	none
Pigeons	,,	20-25
Quail	,,	18-20
Snipe	,,	16-18
Teal	,,	18-20
Turkey	per lb.	40-45
Woodcock	each	50-60
Wild Duck	,,	40-45
Duck	,,	80-$1.00
Wild Pigeon	,,	12-15
Fruit		
Apricots	per lb.	none
Apples	,,	20-25
Bananas	,,	7-8
Chestnuts	,,	14-16
Cherries	per lb.	none
Cocoanuts	each	18-20
Figs	ped doz.	none
Grapes	per lb.	20-25
Grape fruit	each	none
Lemons	,,	9-10
Lichees	per lb.	none
Oranges	,,	12-15
Peaches	,,	none
Mangoes	each	none
Melons	,,	none
Mangosteens	per doz.	none
Persimmons	per lb.	none
Pears	,,	16-18
Peeboes	,,	none
Plums	,,	none
Pumeloes	each	20-25
Pineapples	,,	12-14
Strawberries	per lb.	none
Walnuts	,,	15-18
Vegetable		
Artichokes	per lb.	5-4
Asparagus	per doz.	none
Bamboo Shoots	per lb.	none
Beetroot	per bunch	2-2
Broad Beans	,,	12-15
Cabbages	each	5-10
Celery	per bunch	10-12
Carrots	,,	4-5
Cauliflower	each	20-30
Egg Plant	per lb.	10-12
French Beans	,,	10-12
Green Corn	,,	none
Peas	,,	16-18
Leeks	per bunch	4-5
Parsnips	,,	4-5
Potatoes	per picul	$2.40-2.60
Radishes	per bunch	1-2
Onions	per lb.	4-6
Spinach	,,	3-4
Tomatoes	,,	6-10
Turnips	per bunch	2-3
Grain and Flour		
Flour American	,,	$4.00
Flour, Shanghai	,,	$2.80
Bran	per 114 lbs.	$3.40
Barley	,,	$4.20
Rice	per 200 lbs.	$12.00
Milk		
Chinese dairies	per bottle	$0.20
Foreign dairies	,,	$0.25
Fuel		
Fire Wood	per 40 bundles	$1.00
Stove Coal	per ton Tls.	18.75
House Coal	,,	15.75

E. Kilner,
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Sailed from Shanghai

FOR SAN FRANCISCO

President Lincoln	Nov. 24
Shinyo Maru	Nov. 24
Shabonee	Nov. 27
Levant Arrow	Nov. 27
Siberia Maru	Dec. 3
President Taft	Dec. 15
Taiyo Maru	Dec. 18

FOR VANCOUVER

Empress of Canada	Nov. 20
Empress of Russia	Dec. 3

FOR SEATTLE

Hawaii Maru	Nov. 15
President Madison	Nov. 21
Alabama Maru	Nov. 25
Hoyeisan Maru	Dec. 9
West Cadron	Dec. 12
President Jackson	Dec. 15

FOR PORTLAND ORE.

West Jester	Nov. 14
West Jessup	Nov. 27
Tjibesar	Nov. 28
Pawlet	Nov. 29
West Nomentum	Dec. 11
West O'Rowa	Dec. 18

FOR GRAYS HARBOR, U.S.A.

Tenbergen	Nov. 29

FOR CEBU

Ribera	Dec. 9

FOR NEW YORK

Heffron	Nov. 13
Ajax	Nov. 20
Eastern Prince	Nov. 25
City of Corinth	Nov. 30
Takaoka Maru	Dec. 6
City of Athens	Dec. 10
M. S. Dollar	Dec. 16

FOR UNITED KINGDOM

Malwa	Nov. 14
Glaucus	Nov. 15
Kamo Maru	Nov. 19
Nyanza	Nov. 21
Kalyan	Nov. 27
Machaon	Nov. 29
Katori Maru	Dec. 1
City of Karachi	Dec. 1
Glenamoy	Dec. 2
Oanfa	Dec. 3
Sarpedon	Dec. 6
Glengarry	Dec. 9
Devanha	Dec. 11
Helenus	Dec. 13
Atsuta Maru	Dec. 15
City of Tokio	Dec. 16

FOR HAMBURG

Havelland	Nov. 15
Ptais	Nov. 17
Adolf von Baeyer	Dec. 1
Ermland	Dec. 9
Amur Maru	Dec. 9

FOR AMSTERDAM

Ouderkerk	Nov. 16

FOR COPENHAGEN

Maipo	Nov. 20
Afrika	Dec. 11

FOR BARCELONA

C. Lopez Y. Lopez	Dec. 7

FOR MARSEILLES

Porthos	Nov. 21
Angkor	Dec. 7

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FOR INDIA

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E/Asia	Jan. 12	Jan. 28	E/Russia	Aug. 2	Aug. 18
E/Russia	Feb. 9	Feb. 25	E/Australia	Aug. 18	Sept. 3
E/Australia	Feb. 25	Mar. 12	E/Asia	Aug. 30	Sept. 15
E/Asia	Mar. 15	Mar. 31	E/Canada	Sept. 15	Sept. 29
E/Russia	Apr. 5	Apr. 21	E/Russia	Sept. 27	Oct. 13
E/Australia	Apr. 21	May 7	E/Australia	Oct. 13	Oct. 29
E/Asia	May 10	May 26	E/Asia	Oct. 25	Nov. 10
E/Russia	May 31	June 16	E/Canada	Nov. 10	Nov. 24
E/Australia	June 16	July 2	E/Russia	Nov. 22	Dec. 8
E/Asia	July 5	July 21	E/Australia	Dec. 8	Dec. 24

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S'S. West Holbrook	Feb. 29
S.S. President Pierce	Mar. 29

FOR HONGKONG and MANILA

S.S. President Wilson	Dec. 31
S.S. President Lincoln	Jan. 20
S.S. West Holbrook	Jan. 20
S.S. President Taft	Feb. 1
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- *Shanghai Maru .....Dec. 25
- Kumano Maru .....Dec. 26
- Omi Maru .....Dec. 29

FOR BOMBAY via HONGKONG.
- Tamba Maru .....Dec. 24

FOR SEATTLE VIA VICTORIA B. C.
- Kaga Maru .....Jan. 12
- Iyo Maru .....Feb. 1

FOR SOUTH AMERICA VIA Cape From Kobe.
- Kawachi Maru .....Dec. 23

FOR EUROPE
- Kashima Maru .....Dec. 29
- *Teuruga Maru .....Jan. 7
- Hakone Maru..... Jan. 12
- Suwa Maru .....Jan. 26
- Fushimi Maru .....Feb. 9

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- S.S. "SEIKYO MARU" (Tsingtau and Dairen) ..Dec. 23
- S.S. "FUKUKEN MARU" (via Tsingtao) .....Jan. 1

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- S.S. "KOHOKU MARU" ..... Dec. 25
- S.S. SEIKYO MARU" ..... Jan. 3

FOR JAPAN. FOR KOBE DIRECT
- S.S. "ALPS MARU" ..... Dec. 20
- S.S. "ARABIA MARU" ....(At 6 a.m.) .....Dec. 19

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Dec. 19 — New York via Suez	Calchas	Br. R. & S.
Dec. 19 D.L. Tacoma	Arabia M.	Jap. O.S.K.
Dec. 21 — Portland, Ore.	West Kador	Am. Lumber Co.
Dec. 24 — Vancouver	†E. of Australia	Br. C.P.S.
Dec. 26 — Vancouver	C. Freighter	Br. B. & S.
Dec. 27 — Seattle	†P. Jefferson	AM. Adl. O. Line
Dec. 27 — San Francisco	†P. Cleveland	Am. P.M.S.S. Co
Jan. 7 — New York	Havre Maru	Jap. O.S.K.
Jan. 8 — Seattle	†P. Grant	AM. Adl. O. Line
Jan. 9 — Portland, Ore.	Elkridge	Am. Lumber Co.
Jan. 10 — New York via Suez	Peleus	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 10 — San Francisco	Stanley Dollar	Br. Dollar Co.
Jan. 11 — Portland, Ore.	Hannawa	Am. Lumber Co.
Jan. 11 — Portland, Ore.	Wawalona	Am. Lumber Co.
Jan 12 — Tacoma	Manila Maru	Jap. O.S.K.
Jan. 12 — Vancouver	†E. of Asia	Br. C. P. S.
Jan. 12 — Seattle	Kaga Maru	Jap. N.Y.K.
Jan. 12 — New York via Suez	Robert Dollar	Am. Dollar Co.
Jan. 13 — San Francisco	Tenyo M.	Jap. T.K.K.
Jan. 14 — San Francisco	†P. Wilson	Am. P.M.S.S. Co
Jan. 17 — New York	Tatsuno Maru	Jap. N.Y.K.
Jan. 20 — Seattle	†P. Madison	AM. Adl. O. Line
Jan. 25 — San Francisco	Korea Maru	Jap. T.K.K.
Feb. 1 — Seattle	†P. McKinley	Am. Adl. O. Line
Feb. 1 — New York via Suez	P. Harrison	Am. Dollar Co.
Feb. 1 — Seattle	Iyo Maru	Jap. N.Y.K.
Feb. 4 — San Francisco	†P. Lincoln	Am. P.M.S.S. Co.
Feb. 9 — Vancouver	†E. of Russia	Br. C.P.S.
Feb. 13 — Seattle	P. Jackson	Am. Adl. O. Line
Feb. 16 — San Francisco	†P. Taft	Am. P.M.S.S. Co
Feb. 29 — New York via Suez	P. Hays	Am. Dollar Co.
Feb. 29 — San Francisco	†W. Holbrook	Am. P.M.S.S. Co.
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Khiva	Jan. 8	Morea	Feb. 19	Khyber	Apr. 1
*Macedonia	Jan. 22	Karmala	March 4	China	Apr. 15

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Dec. 20 — Kobe	Alps Maru	Jap. O.S.K.
Dec. 21 — Nagasaki	Nagasaki M.	Jap. N.Y.K.
Dec. 22 1.00 Kobe	Hosang	Br. J. M. & Co.
Dec. 22 — Moji, Kobe, Osaka	Yamashiro M.	Jap. N.Y.K.
Dec. 25 — Nagasaki	Shanghai M.	Jap. N.Y.K.
Dec. 26 — Moji, Kobe, Osaka	Kumano Maru	Jap. N.Y.K.
Dec. 29 — Moji, Kobe, Osaka	Omi Maru	Jap. N.Y.K.

FOR EUROPE, INDIA, STRAITS, ETC.

Dec. 19 — Hamburg, etc.	Autolycus	Br. B. & S.
Dec. 21 — Liverpool	Ningchow	Br. B.& S.
Dec. 21 9.00 *Marseilles	†Chambord	Fr. M.M. Cie
Dec. 24 — Singapore	W. Faralon	Am. S. & B.
Dec. 25 — London	†Kaiser-I-Hind	Br. M.M. & Co.
Dec. 25 — Hamburg, etc.	Holstein	Ger. Mel. & Co.
Dec. 26 — Hamburg, etc.	Dardanus	Br. B.& S.
Dec. 26 — Liverpool,	Diomed	Br. B. & S.
Dec. 27 — Hamburg, etc.	†Kashima M	Jap. N. Y. K.
Dec. 27 — London	Glenapp	Br. G.L.E.A.
Dec. 29 — Rotterdam	Zosma	Dut. H. C. T. Co
Jan. 3 — Hamburg	Hindenburg	Ger. H.S. Line
Jan. 3 — London	Patroclus	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 4 — Marseilles	†Paul Lecat	Fr M. M. Cie
Jan. 7 — Hamburg, etc.	Menelaus	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 8 — London	†Khiva	Fr. M. M. Cie
Jan. 12 — London	†Hakone Maru	Jap. N.Y.K.
Jan. 13 — Liverpool	Titan	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 15 — Bombay	Sicilia	Br. M. M. & Co.
Jan. 17 — Antwerp, etc.	Laomedon	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 18 — Marseilles	†A. Lebon	Fr. M. M. Cie
Jan. 22 — London	†Macedonia	Br. M.M. & Co.
Jan. 23 — Hamburg	Emil Kirdorf	Ger. H.S. Line
Jan. 25 — Rotterdam, etc.	Olderkerk	Dut. H.C.T. Co.
Jan. 26 — London	†Suwa Maru	Jap. N.Y.K.
Jan. 27 — Liverpool	Kt. Companion	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 31 — London	Mentor	Br. B. & S.
Feb. 1 — Marseilles	†Amboise	Fr. M.M. Cie
Feb. 2 — Antwerp, etc.	Alps Maru	Jap. O.S.K.
Feb. 5 — London	†Kashgar	Br. M.M. & Co.
Feb. 15 — Marseilles	†Cordillere	Fr. M. M. Cie
Feb. 19 — London	†Morea	Br. M.M. & Co.
Feb. 29. — Marseilles	†Angers	Fr. M.M. Cie
Mar. 4 — London	†Karmala	Br. M.M. & Co.
Mar. 18 — London	†Naldera	Br. M. M. & Co.
Apr. 1 — London	†Khyber	Br. M.M. & Co.
Apr. 15 — London	†China	Br. M. M. & Co.

FOR AUSTRALIA FROM HONGKONG

Dec. 21 — Melbourne, etc.	†Tango Maru	Jap. N.Y.K.
Jan. 5 — Melbourne, etc.	†Arafura	Br. M.M. & Co.
Feb. 2 — Melbourne, etc.	†St. Albans	Br. M.M. & Co.
Feb. 27 Melbourne, etc.	†Eastern	Br. M. M. & Co.

FOR SOUTHERN PORTS

Dec. 19 5.00 Ningpo	Hsin Peking	Br. C.P.S.
Dec. 19 5.00 Ningpo	Hsin Ningshao	Br. B. & S.
Dec. 19 Hongkong, Canton	Kwanglee	Chi. C.M.S.N. Co.
Dec. 19 8.00 *Swatow	Ichang	Br. B. & S.
Dec. 19 D.L. S. H'kong, C'ton	Fooshing	Br. J. M. & Co.
Dec. 20 5.00 Ningpo	Hsin Kiangteen	Chi. N. S. S. N.
Dec. 20 5.00 Ningpo	Yungshin	Am. Lumber Co.
Dec. 20 — Wenchow	Feiching	Chi. C.M.S.N. Co.
Dec. 20 9.00 *Hongkong, Canton	Kanchow	Br. B. & S.
Dec. 21 S. L.L. H'kong, C'ton	Taisang	Br. J. M. & Co.
Dec. 21 — Hongkong, Manila	W. Chopaka	Am. S. & B.
Dec. 22 10.00 *S. H'kong, C'ton	Kasking	Br. B. & S.
Dec. 23 11.00 *A. H'kong, C'otn	Fengtien	Br. B. & S.
Dec. 23 — Hongkong, Manila	P. Grant	AM. Adl. O. Line
Dec. 23 D.L. S. H'kong, C'ton	Fausang	Br. J. M. & Co.
Dec. 24 — Hongkong, Manila	W. Faralon	Am. S. & B.
Dec. 25 — Keelung, etc.	Kohoku M.	Jap. O.S.K.
Dec. 25 — Hongkong	Kaga Maru	Jap. N.Y.K.
Dec. 26 — Hongkong, Manila	Tenyo Maru	Jap. T.K.K.
Dec. 31 — Hongkong, Manila	P. Wilson	Am. P.M.S.S Co.
Dec. 31 — Hongkong	Manila Maru	Jap. O.S.K.
Jan. 4 — Hongkong, Manila	P. Madison	Am. Adl. O. Line
Jan. 5 — Hongkong, Manila	Korea Maru	Jap. T.K.K.
Jan. 7 — Hongkong, Manila	Hannawa	Am. Lumber Co.
Jan. 12 — Hongkong	E. of Russia	Br. C.P.S.

FOR NORTHERN PORTS

Dec. 19 D.L. Tsingtao	Yusang	Br. J. M. & Co
Dec. 19 10.00 *W. C'foo, T'tsin	Tungchow	Br. B. & S.
Dec. 19 9.00 *Tsingtao, Dairen	Saikio Maru	Jap. D.K.K.
Dec. 19 8.00 *Dairen, Tsingtao	Pakhoi	Br. B. & S.
Dec. 19 — Chefoo	Hainkong	Chi. C.M.S.N. Co.
Dec. 20 10.00 *Chefoo, Tientsin	Chusan	Br. B. & S.
Dec. 21 D.L. Chefoo, Tientsin	Takasng	Br. J. M. & Co.
Dec. 22 11.00 *Tsingtao, Dairen	Sakaki M.	Jap. D. K. K.
Dec. 22 10.00 *Tsingtao	Suiyang	Br. B. & S.
Dec. 22 10.00 *W. C'foo, T'tsin	Luchow	Br. B. & S.
Dec. 22 — Chinwangtao	Kaiping	Br. K. M. A.
Dec. 23 — Tientsin	Kwangping	Br. K.M.A.
Dec. 23 — Dairen, etc.	Seyikyo Maru	Jap. O. S. K.
Dec. 25 3.00 Tsingtao, Dairen	Chohei Maru	Jap. D.K.K.

FOR RIVER PORTS

Dec. 19 M.N. Hankow, etc.	Kiangyung	Chi. C.M.S.N. Co.
Dec. 19 M.N. Hankow, etc.	Woosung	Br. B. & S.
Dec. 19 8.00 *Pukow	Newchwang	Br. B. & S.
Dec. 20 M.N. Hankow, etc.	Kiangan	Chi. C.M.S.N. Co.
Dec. 20 M.N. Hankow, etc.	Kutwo	Br. J. M. & Co.
Dec. 20 M.N. Hankow, etc.	Tatung	Br. B.& S.
Dec. 21 M.N. Hankow, etc.	Kianghsin	Chi. C.M.S.N. Co.
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Dec. 21 M.N. Hankow, etc.	Ngankin	Br. B. & S.
Dec. 21 D.L. Hankow	Waishing	Br. J. M. & Co.
Dec. 21 M.N. Hankow, etc.	Changon	Chi. S.P.S.N. Co.
Dec. 22 M.N. Hankow, etc.	Pingwo	Br. J. M. & Co.
Dec. 22 M.N. Hankow, etc.	Wenchow	Br. B. & S.
Dec. 23 M.N. Hankow, etc.	Kiangteen	Chi. C.M.S.N. Co.
Dec. 23 D.L. Pukow	Yatshing	Br. J. M. & Co.
Dec. 24 M.N. Hankow, etc.	Kiangshun	Chi. C.M.S.N. Co.
Dec. 24 M.N. Hankow, etc.	Luenho	Br. J. M. & Co.
Dec. 24 M.N. Hankow, etc.	Poyang	Br. B. & S.
Dec. 25 M.N. Hankow, etc.	Kungwo	Br. J.M. & Co.
Dec. 25 M.N. Hankow, etc.	Wuchang	Br. B. & S.
Dec. 26 M.N. Hankow, etc.	Kiangfoo	Chi. C.M.S.N. Co.
Dec. 26 M.N. Hankow, etc.	Luenyi	Br. B. & S.

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Men-Of-War In Port

Section	Date	Name	Flag and Rating
1 C	Nov. 8	Algol	Fr. Sloop
BNB	Dec. 14	Durban	Br. Cruiser
MeW	Nov. 30	Foxglove	Br. Gunboat
EEW	Nov. 7	Fushima	Jap. Gun-boat'
MeW.	Dec. 10	Gnat	Br. Gunboat
MeW	Mar. 23	Mantis	Br. Bun-boat
8 P	Nov. 30	Penguin	Am. Gun-boat
8 P	Nov. 30	Pigeon	Am. Gun-boat
YTPDW	Nov. 30	Seta	Jap. Gun-boat
YTPDW	Nov. 28	Sumida	Jap. Gun-boat
1 C	Nov. 20	Seb. Carboto	Ital. Gun-boat
EEW	Nov. 21	Toba	Jap. Gun-boat
YTPD		Woodlark	Br. Gun-boat

The China Press Mail Schedule

TO THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE

DATE	CLOSING	STEAMER	DUE AT	DATE
Dec. 24	3.30 p.m.	E. of Australia	Vancouver	Jan. 9
Dec. 25	9 p.m.	P. Jefferson	Seattle	Jan. 12
Dec. 26	9 p.m.	P. Cleveland	S. Francisco	Jan. 15

TO SOUTHERN PORTS, INDIA AND EUROPE VIA SUEZ

DATE	CLOSING	STEAMER	DUE AT	DATE
Today	9 p.m.	Chambord	Marseilles	Jan. 25
Dec. 26	10 a.m.	Kaiser-I-Hind	Marseilles	Jan. 26

TO NORTHERN PORTS

TO	DATE	CLOSING	STEAMER
Vladivostok	Daily	9 p.m.	via Harbin
Siberia	Daily	9 p.m.	via Chita
Tsingtao & Dalny	Today	8.30 a.m.	Saikio Maru
W'wei, C'foo, T'tsin	Today	8 a.m.	Tungchow
Chefoo and Tientsin	Dec. 20	8 a.m.	Chusan
W'wei, C'foo, T'tsin	Dec. 22	8 a.m.	Luchow
Tsingtao	Dec. 22	8 a.m.	Suiyang
Tientsin	Dec. 22	9 p.m.	Kwangping

TO SOUTHERN PORTS

TO	DATE	CLOSING	STEAMER
Foochow	Today	10 a.m.	Ningshin
Wenchow	Today	9 p.m.	Feiching
Hongkong & Canton	Dec. 20	7 a.m.	Kanchow
Swatow	Dec. 20	9 p.m.	Taisang
Hongkong & Canton	Dec. 21	7 a.m.	Chambord
Swatow	Dec. 22	8 a.m.	Kashing
Hongkong & Canton	Dec. 22	8 p.m.	P. Grant
Amoy	Dec. 22	9 a.m.	Fengtien

MISCELLANOUS PORTS

TO	DATE	CLOSING	STEAMER
Russia and Europe	Daily	9 p.m.	via Train
River ports	Daily	9 p.m.	via Train.
Japan ports	Dec. 20	8 p.m.	Nagasaki M
Manila, Australia & N. Zealand	Dec. 22	8 p.m.	P. Grant
Japan ports	Dec. 22	7.30 a.m.	Yamashiro M.

Information For Mariners

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 19, 1923

The day tide are higher than the night tides, they are nearly equal about 4 and 5 o'clock.
Approximate rise, at spring 4¼ h; at neaps, 5 h.
fall, at spring 3¼ h; at neaps, 7½ h.

Time	Range	Time	Range
9h. 49m.	5ft. 8in.	10h. 14m.	4ft. 2in.

High Water at Tungsha Lightship
(The day tides are higher than the night tides.)
Aprroximate rise, 1½ h; approximate fall, 7 h.

A.M.		P.M.	
8	30	8	59

Time of Moonrise, Moonset, Sunrise, Sunset.

Mon Rises	Mon Sets	Sun Rises	Sun Sets	Daylight	Dark
2.27 p.m.	3.1 a.m.	6h. 53m.	5h. 58m.	6h. 8m.	5h. 43m.

Mean Barometric Pressure December 30.28 in. 769.0 mm.

Meteorological Report

December 19, 1923. SICAWEI

	Dec. 14		Dec. 15	
Sun rises today at 6.52				
Sun sets today at 16.59	16 h.	21 h.	4 h.	9 h.
Barometer (inches)	30.41	30.42	30.39	30.46
(variation for 24 hours	−0.06	−0.11	−0.13	−0.06
at 32° F. (variation for 12 hours	−0.11	−0.10	−0.02	+0.04
Wind—Direction	NNE	NNE	NNW	NNW
Wind—Miles per hour	9.9	6.2	8.7	9.9
Temperature (Fahr.)	44°1	41°9	38°5	36°5
Humidity %	53	71	89	93
Nebulosity (0-10)	10	10	10	10
Rainfall, inches	—	—	0.02	0.03

SICCAWEI ABRIDGED REPORT December 14		Mean 1922.	24 hrs. variation.	Previous average (50 yrs.) same period.
Temperature	(Min. 33°1)	36.47	0.00	30.32
Temperature (Fahr.)	(Min. 36°5) (Max. 47°0)	41°7	−2°4	44°2
Rainfall since January 1 (ending midnight)		39.96	0.00	44.87

Vessels Due

Andre Lebon, *Marseilles*	Dec. 23	Ngankin, *Hankow*	Dec. 20
Aso Maru, *Yokohama*	Dec. 20	Nagasaki Maru, *Nagasaki*	Dec. 20
Chohei Maru, *Dairen*	Dec. 24	Oldekerk, *Batavia*	Dec. 26
Can Freighter, *Vancouver*	Dec. 21	Omi Maru, *Osaka*	Dec. 26
Changon, *Hankow*	Dec. 19	Orissa, *Kobe*	Dec. 19
Carnarvonshire, *London*	Dec. 20	Poyang, *Hankow*	Dec. 22
Durban Maru, *Europe*	Dec. 24	Pingwo, *Hankow*	Dec. 31
Diomed, *New York*	Dec. 22	Pres. Grant, *Seattle*	Dec. 21
E. of Australia, *Hongkong*	Dec. 24	Pres. Cleveland, *Hongkong*	Dec. 26
Formosa, *Copenhagen*	Dec. 24	Pres. Jefferson, *Hongkong*	Dec. 26
Fengtien, *Tientsin*	Dec. 19	Rokko Maru, *Yokohama*	Dec. 26
Golic Prince, *New York*	Dec. 25	Schlesien, *Hamburg*	Dec. 24
Glenapp, *Vladivostok*	Dec. 21	Shuntien, *Tientsin*	Dec. 23
Hsinming, *Tientsin*	Dec. 20	Soochow, *Hongkong*	Dec. 24
Hsinchi, *Foochow*	Dec. 21	Sunning, *Hongkong*	Dec. 22
Hosang, *Calcutta*	Dec. 20	Sakaki Maru, *Dairen*	Dec. 21
Hsin Kiangteen *Ningpo*	Dec. 20	Suwa Maru, *London*	Dec. 21
Hsin Ningshao *Ningpo*	Dec. 19	Suiyang, *Hongkong*	Dec. 21
Hsin Peking, *Ningpo*	Dec. 19	Stuart Dollar, *Seattle*	Dec. 20
Kashing, *Tsingtao*	Dec. 21	Sumatra, *Copenhagen*	Dec. 20
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Kiangfoo, *Hankow*	Dec. 24	Shanghai Maru *Nagasaki*	Dec. 24
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Kaiping, *Chinwangtao*	Dec. 19	Taksang, *Hongkong*	Dec. 19
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Kaiser-I-Hind, *Kobe*	Dec. 21	Tungchow, *Tientsin*	Dec. 26
Kiangteen, *Hankow*	Dec. 21	Wuchang, *Hankow*	Dec. 23
Kianghsin, *Hankow*	Dec. 20	Waishing *Tientsin*	Dec. 19
Kutwo, *Hankow*	Dec. 19	West Faralon, *S. Francisco*	Dec. 21
Kwongsang, *Hongkong*	Dec. 23	Wenchow, *Hankow*	Dec. 21
Luenyi, *Hankow*	Dec. 24	West Chopaka, *S. Francisco*	Dec. 20
Luenho, *Hankow*	Dec. 22	West Kader, *Manila*	Dec. 20
Loongwo, *Hankow*	Dec. 20	Whangpu, *Hankow*	Dec. 26
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AUCTIONS

SUMMARY OF AUCTIONS

Wednesday, Dec. 19, at 10 a.m. In Front Salesroom, New Household Furniture, etc.
at 2:30 p.m. In Front Salesroom. Wines and Sundry Cargo.
Thursday, Dec. 20, at 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., at 25 Tongshan Road, Complete Household Furniture.
at 2:45 p.m., at Rioka Soka Kaisha's Wharf, 264 Bags of Soda Ash.
Friday, Dec. 21, at 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., at 406 Avenue Joffre, Excellent Household Furniture.
at 10 a.m., at 1st Floor, 14 Kiukiang Road, Superior Office Furniture and Silk Stripping Machine.
at 2:30 p.m., in Middle salesroom, Furniture and Clothing.
Saturday, Dec. 22, at 10 a.m. In front Salesroom, Furniture and Sundries.
at 2:30 p.m., in Upper Salesroom, Rare Postage Stamps.
at 2:30 p.m., at 60 Chaoufung Road, Cows, Dogs, Horse and Goats.

New Carpets and Household Furniture
IN FRONT SALESROOM
On Wednesday, December 19, 1923
Commencing at 10 a.m.

New Axminster, Velvet Pile and Brussels Carpets
in
Persian and Turkish design, Plain Olive Green, Pink etc., Stair Carpets, Hearth Rugs.

A Large quantity of Carved Blackwood Furniture comprising:
Large marble top round table, marble top side table, Long table, Hall table, Arm Chairs, Stools, Columns stands, teapoys, etc., etc., etc.

and

Teak, Oak and Manila Hardwood Household Furniture and Sundries
comprising
Dark-stained Oak Hat and umbrella stand, Hall table, Chairs, Teak mahogany-stained Silk tapestry seated Drawing Room Suite, Silver ware Cabinet, Centre table, Escritoire, 3-fold Screen, Bevelled mirror-back Music Cabinet, Tapestry upholstered Chesterfield Couch and Arm Chairs, Morriss Rockers with tapestry cushions, Sliding door Bookcase, Teak Flat top desk, Revolving Desk chair, Peking Cloisonne ware, Large gilt framed Oil Paintings, Coloured Pictures, Dark-stained Manila wood Bevelled mirror back sideboard, Dinner wagon, Extension dining table, Leather seated Dining Chairs, E.P. ware Cabinet, Tapestry upholstered Couch and Arm Chairs, Damask table linen, Good Cut Glass ware E.P. Ware, Crockery, Solid Brass Fenders, Fire brasses, Coal Box, Electric table lamp, 1 Mahogany stained Large Bedroom Suite, Brass mounted Small Bedroom Suite all fitted with bevelled mirrors, Double and Single Wooden Bedsteads, Woollen blankets, Elder down quilts, Bed linen, etc., etc., etc.

also

NEW GERMAN GRAMOPHONES
1 Fine set of Cutlery in Canteen case.
1 New Gramophone with Record cabinet by Tuck Sang & Co.
2 Enamelled Square Heating Stoves.
1 "Victrola" Almost New, Special Model.
1 Large child's perambulator.
1 large perambulator.
A large quantity of "Epp's" Assorted Chocolate in Fancy boxes, sell in small lots, guaranteed to be fresh.
NOW ON VIEW

IN CARGO SALESROOM
Sunday Cargo and Wines
On Wednesday, December 19, 1923
at 2.30 p.m.

5 Bales British Army Blankets, 11 Pieces Rugs, 30 Piece White Mercerised Battiste, 19 Pieces Oil Cloth, 20 Boxes Fancy French Silk Ribbons, 1 Case Aluminium Trays, 1 Case Drawing Paper (Damaged), Photo Paper, Camera Lens, 3 Pieces Rubber Sheeting, Motor Car Tyres, Motor Car Iron Mud-guards, 1 Tire Vulcanising Machine, Machinery Parts, Cylinders, Iron Drums, Bed Frames, O'Pine, Canvas Sail, Electric Fans, Cartridges, Batteries, Marine Lamps, 20 Dozen Pocket Knives, 40 Dozen Padlocks, Glass Shades, Glass Pearls, Soft Felt Hats, Caps, Wooden Stands, Cabinet, 6 Dozen Barolo Wine, Sherry, 5 pieces rubber suction hose.

also

26 Pieces Large Assorted Valves, Steel Springs, Pipes, Etc.,
5 Patent Steel Wall Safes.
3 Bales Baux Paper, 3 Bales White Duplicating Paper.
6 Bales M. G. Cap Paper, 2 Bales Glassine Paper, 5 Bales M. G. Envelope Paper, 16 Bales Kraft Paper.
4 Cases German Sulphur Green, 3 Cases Undercleaner Springs and Rivets.
NOW ON VIEW

Favoured with instructions from The Concerned will sell by Public Auction within the premises
No. 25 Tongshan Road
On Thursday, December 20, 1923
Commencing at 10 a.m. and continuing at 2.30 p.m.
The whole of the Excellent Household Furniture and Sundries
COMPRISING:—

Hall. Large dark-stained hat stand, Bevel-edged Cheval Mirror, etc.

Dining Room. Teak bevelled mirror back Sideboard, Teak Extension Dining table, Dining chairs, Oblong table, Corner stand, Vases, E.P., Cutlery, Crockery and Glass ware, Pictures, etc.

Contents of 12 Bedrooms. Teak and Oak Bevelled Mirror door Double and Single Wardrobe, Bevelled Mirror back Dressing tables, Chest of drawers, Mahogany-stained Oval bevelled mirror, door Wardrobe, Oval bevelled mirror Dressing table, Dressing table with 3 bevelled mirrors, Tapestry covered Settees, Tapestry covered arm chairs, Rocking chair, Rattan Ware, Plush upholstered Double spring Couch and Arm Chairs, White enamelled Iron Double and Single Bedsteads, Brass Twin Bedsteads, Brass amounted Iron Bedsteads, Hospital Beds, Round tables, Folding tables, Flat top desks, Stoves, Blackwood table clock, Filing cabinet, Sliding door bookcase, Tapestry sofa, Large Linen Cupboards, etc.

Pantry and Kitchen. Oak Ice Chest, Enamelled Iron Sink, Glass tap Filter, Good Cooking Range, Cooking utensils, etc.

also

6 Enamelled Iron Baths,
6 Lavatory Basins,
1 4-blade Ceiling fan.
Good Electric Fittings Throughout.

On View Wednesday, December 19th.

Favoured with instructions from the concerned will sell by Public Auction within the premises
406 Avenue Joffre
On Friday, December 21, 1923
Commencing at 10, a.m. and Continuing at 2.30 p.m.
Superior Household Furniture & Sundries
COMPRISING:—

HALL—Axminster Carpet, stair carpet, Large Hall stove, blackwood screen, side table, bevelled mirror back hat & umbrella stand, pictures, coir mats, Blackwood chairs, flower stand etc.

LAVATORY—Porcelain wash basin, wall mirror, porcelain commode, enamelled iron bath, geyser, sink, filter, glass shelf, etc.

DRAWING ROOM—Axminster carpet, brass fender, brass fire screen, fire brasses, SATIN upholstered couch, easy chairs, arm chairs, silk cushions, Mahogany stained centre table, Mahogany stained silver ware cabinet, lady's desk, Fancy brass, bronze and porcelain ornaments, bronze table lamp with figure and shade, pictures, oil painting, tapestry curtains, lacquered teapoys, gilt buddha, gilt framed oil painting, cloisonne vases, etc.

DINING ROOM—Axminster Carpet, brass fender, fire brasses, coal box, fire brasses, Mahogany stained suite:—Sideboard with cabinet combined, bevelled mirror back Cellarette, extension dining table, chairs, overmantle, book shelf, wall clock, 3-fold screen, brass kettle, electric toaster, silver, E. P., and glass ware, cut glass ware, bronze ornaments and vases, tapestry curtains, pictures, sofa, arm chairs.

MORNING ROOM:—Axminster Carpet, brass fender, sliding door book case, library table, rattan seated chairs, Large teak sideboard, bookcase, teapoy, spring sofa, easy chairs, brass standard lamp, pictures, curtains, etc.

BEDROOMS—Axminster carpet, unpolished bevelled mirror door wardrobe, dressing table marble top washstand with basins, chest of drawers, teak pedestal, brass mounted iron bedsteads, easy chairs, shaving mirror, spring sofa, Double spring couch, perambulator, white ratten cot, hair mattresses, curtains, table, matting, etc., etc.

BATHROOM—Enamelled iron bath, geyser, lavatory basin, etc.

PANTRY & KITCHEN—Ice chest, meat safe, "Dorie" cooking range, table dresser, etc., etc

also

Electric oscillating table fans.
Steel combination safe. "Underwriters" laboratories Inc. Inspected, Insulated Cabinet"
Gramophone.
Silver Tea Set (complete).
NOW ON VIEW

Favoured with instructions from the concerned will sell by Public Auction within the premises
No. 14 Kiukiang Road, 1st floor
On Friday, December 21, 1923
Commencing at 10 a.m.
The Complete Contents of a Modern Office—All Practically New and Mostly in Teak
COMPRISING:—

Office Carpets, Office Desks, Cabinets, Cabinet with plan drawers, Desk chairs, Book cases, Scale Balances, long runs wooden partitions, Platform scale, Office safes, long run cupboard with drawers, Electric fittings, Electric motor and pulleys.

Silk stripping machine with 52 winders.
ON VIEW THURSDAY

Favoured With Instructions From The Concerned Will Sell by Public Auction
On Saturday, December 22, 1923.
At 2.30 p.m.
At the Kalgan Dairy Farm and Livery Stables
60 CHAOUFOONG ROAD
High Class Imported Live Stock
COMPRISING:—

COWS 13 Australian Cows, Ayrshire and Illawarra, some milking and others due to calve soon, Guaranteed heavy milkers.
DOGS 21 Dogs—Bull Dogs, Airedale Terriers, Pointers trained and Pointer Pups 9 months old, Wire-Hair Terriers, Irish Terriers and Pomeranians.
HORSE 1 Bay Australian Mare very fast and stylish in harness or under the saddle, up to any weight.
ALL RECENTLY IMPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.

also

GOATS 5 Purebred Goats (3 does and 2 bucks).
PEDIGRESS OF STOCK WILL BE GIVEN TO BUYERS.
Now on View

IN UPPER SALESROOM
On Saturday, December 22, 1923
Commencing at 2.30 p.m.
Postage Stamp Auction
COMPRISING:—

Fine lots of Rare British, French and ex-German Colonies, as well as China and Foreign Post Offices in China etc.

Including in this auction are the undernoted very valuable and unique stamps:—
1879 Hongkong 5 cents on 8 cents inverted surcharge, a pair of China 3 cents Revenue inverted $5 surcharge, double neutrality unused 50 cents green.

This is indeed a unique chance for collectors specialising in the now obsolete Foreign P.O. in China to obtain rare and unique copies.

Of the Hongkong 5 cents on 8 cents inverted surcharge, only 3 copies are known to exist, one being in H. M. King George's collection.

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Auctioneers, Real Estate Agents, Adjusters, Appraisers and Coal Merchants,
Will sell by Public Auction in their Salesroom
No. 40 A Kiangse Road
On
Wednesday, December 19, 1923
At 10 a.m. (Forenoon)
Superior Household Furniture and Effects, etc.,
Comprising:

Dark stained bevel-edged mirror back hat and umbrella stand, hall settee and table, mahogany stained curio cabinet, escritoire, oak and dark stained bedroom suite, white enamelled brass mounted twin bedsteads, solid brass and Simmon's double bedsteads, brass fender, fire brass, coal box, blankets, etc.,

also

A large quantity of fancy E. P. and Cut Glass Ware suitable for Christmas presents
One horniless gramophone with record cabinet combined 2 Salamandre stoves.

Now on view.

W. Funder & Co.

Auctioneers, Real Estate Agents, Adjusters, Appraisers and Coal Merchants
Will sell by Public Auction in their Godown No. 49 A Kiangse Road
On
Wednesday, December 19, 1923
At 2.30 p.m. (Afternoon)
A consignment of first-class Californian fruits and vegetables newly imported under cold storage per s.s. "President Cleveland" from San Francisco
Consisting of the following:—
5 Cases fresh selected cabbages
50 Cases fresh selected tomatoes
1 Case fresh selected Celery
4 Cases fresh selected Cauliflowers
2 Cases fresh selected Cabbage lettuce
19 Cases fresh selected Red grapes
and other lots of same quality
To be sold in lots to suit purchasers.

Now on view

W. Funder & Co.

Auctioneers, Real Estate Agents, Adjusters, Appraisers and Coal Merchants.
Will sell by Public Auction in their Salesroom.
No. 40 A Kiangse Road.
On
Friday, December 21, 1923
At 2.30 p.m. (Afternoon)
High-class wines, sundry cargo, and sundries, etc.,
Consisting of the following:—
Wines, Spirits, & Liqueurs
20 Cases whisky, 10 cases brandy, 100 cases champagne, 5 cases Non-alcholic beer, 3 cases peppermint, 10 cases gin, 5 cases claret, etc.
Sundries
100 tins tinned beef, 40 gross hair pins, a quantity of high-class English sauces, 4 cases toilet soap, 20 packages Ceylon tea, 1000 pieces hand torchlights, 2 cases, dyes, 6 cases sardines, a lot of motor car accessories, 30 new bicycles complete, etc.,

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Women To Take Swimming Course At Navy Y.M.C.A.

Splash!

No, gentle reader, that was not a careless Pootung commuter slipping off a sampan into the Whangpoo. The sound is, rather, the parting of the waves by ambitious mermaids in the fine pool in the new Navy "Y" gym.

Mermaids? Navy "Y"? And up go the eyebrows of the skeptics who don't believe in the complete freedom of the indoor seas.

However, one of the New Year resolutions which the gobs have made, is to forego the pleasures of the pool two evenings a week during January, in favor of Shanghai girls who have an aquatic complex.

The Gymnasium class of the Foreign Y. W. C. A., under the direction of Miss Norah Parkes Jarvis, principal of the National Y. W. C. A. Training School for Physical Education, is being extended to include in its curriculum, a course in swimming.

The cost of the course of eight lessons, to be given every Tuesday and Thursday in January beginning Tuesday, January 8th, at 5:30 is nominal. The present announcement places the fee at $4.00, providing 40 paid-up members are secured. Besides expert instruction, the $4 covers the cost of soap and towel for the month.

The new swimming class is just another innovation in the many which have been launched successfully since the Foreign Y. W. C. A. opened its rooms in Yuen Ming Yuen Road, next door to the familiar hostess house.

The foreign "Y" was planned and is conducted for American, British, French and other girls of foreign nationality resident in Shanghai. Besides providing warm rooms, comfortably and artistically decorated, where girls living alone in Shanghai may enjoy a bit of home life, the foreign "Y" for girls does most of the important things the "Y" at home does.

For one thing, it has an Employment Bureau in charge of Miss Fannie Pomeroy Brown that is an anchor to windward for working girls in the Orient, saving many of them from that most disastrous of all ends for a girl in the Far East—on the beach.

Miss Brown, besides combing Shanghai and nearby port cities as well as suitable places in the interror, for jobs for girls who need them, is in correspondence with dozens of girls from all over the world who have the wanderlust and want to try their fortunes in China. She is punctilious about answering all these letters of inquiry which she receives, for none knows better than she the grave dangers that confront ambitious, adventurous young women who want to come to the Orient "on speculation." The letters she addresses to these hardy questioners are not mere form letters but are concise and detailed as to information, and are tinged with warm friendship and a real desire to be of service and to protect from disillusionment.

In collaboration with Miss Brown in the management of the house is Miss Mary Frances Cross who is hostess at the afternoon teas, executive manager, and general adviser to the girl visitors.

The "Y" just now is sponsoring a series of weekly "musical teas" given by the British Women's Association and the American Woman's Club, on alternate Fridays. These teas, preceding which musical programs are given by artist members of the two Clubs, have been arranged especially for girls who work and who are, because of the conflict of their hours, unable to attend the musicales given by the clubs at their respective rooms. They are meeting with great success and will be continued through the winter and spring.

Recently, the "Y" started a gymnasium class which has been so numerically successful that larger quarters will be required. The Navy "Y" has again come to the fore and has offered the use of its gymnasium in the new building on Szechuen road beginning on Monday, January 7th.

Miss Jervis, well known throughout the United States for her work in physical education has been in charge of the class which meets once a week at 3:30 p.m.

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